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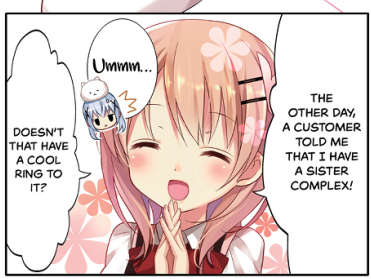
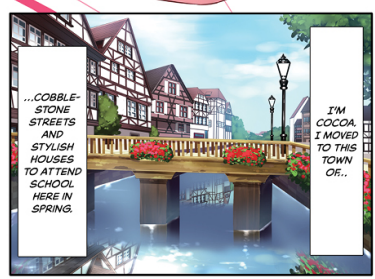
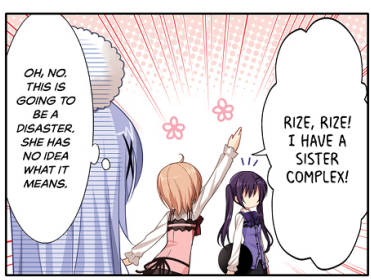
Characters

Cocoa

Age 15 (Hoto Cocoa)







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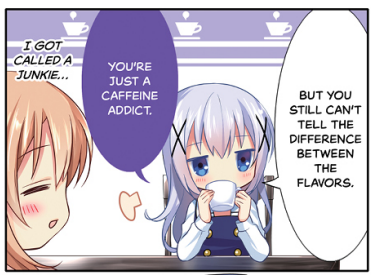
Hmmm, I WONDER WHY THAT IS?

THIS IS CHINO, THE ONLY DAUGHTER OF THE CAFÉ "RABBIT HOUSE."
THERE'S NOTHING BETTER THAN A CUP OF HOT COFFEE IN THE MORNING.

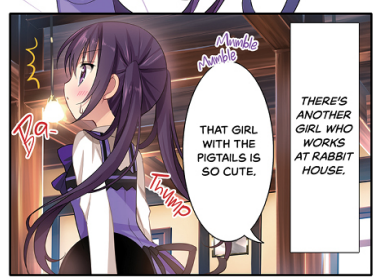

BUT YOU STILL CAN'T TELL THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE FLAVORS.
YOU'RE JUST A CAFFEINE ADDICT.
I GOT CALLED A JUNKIE...

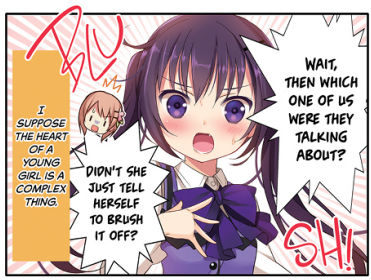
I NEVER REALLY LIKED COFFEE, BUT...
...I FELL IN LOVE WITH IT WHEN I STARTED DRINKING YOURS.

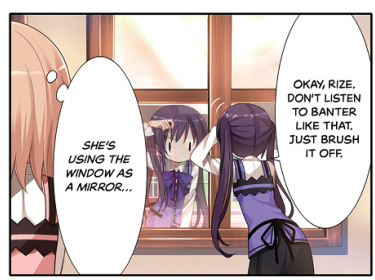
Chino
Age 13 (Kafuu Chino)

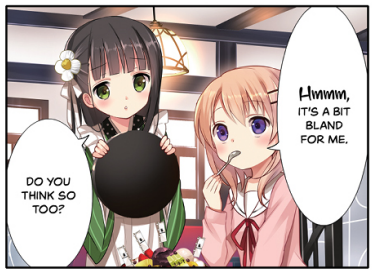
Rize

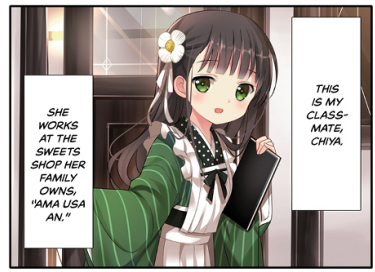
Age 16 (Tedeza Rize)

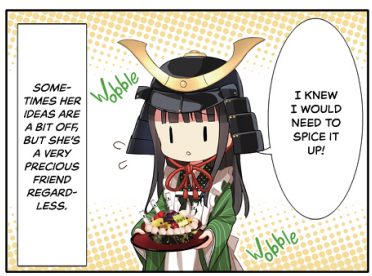






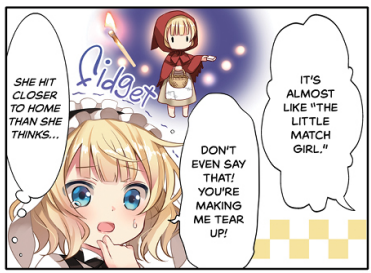

Hmmm, IT'S A BIT BLAND FOR ME.
DO YOU THINK SO TOO?

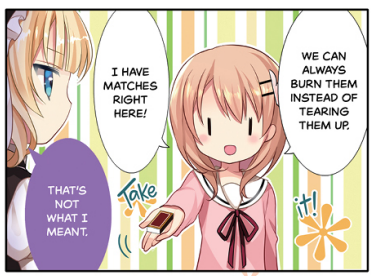

THIS IS MY CLASS-MATE, CHIYA.
SHE WORKS AT THE SWEETS SHOP HER FAMILY OWNS, "AMA USA AN."


I KNEW I WOULD NEED TO SPICE IT UP!
SOME-TIMES HER IDEAS ARE A BIT OFF, BUT SHE'S A VERY PRECIOUS FRIEND REGARD-LESS.
Wobble
Wobble

THIS IS "SUMMER GRASS, THE REMAINS OF A WARRIOR'S DREAM."
WOW, THIS LOOKS AMAZING! IT'S LIKE A REAL BATTLE-FIELD!
Knock

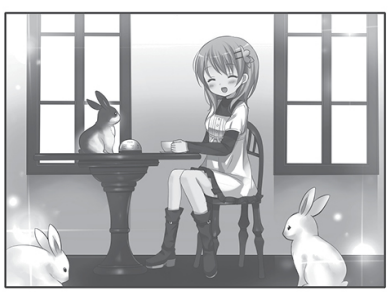
Chiya
Age 15 (Ujimatsu Chiya)



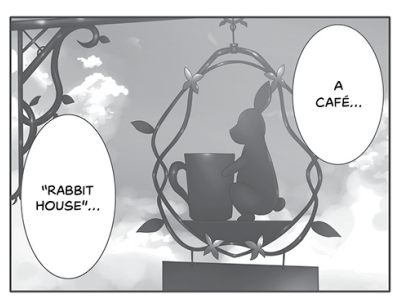


Syaro

Age 15 (Kirima Syaro)

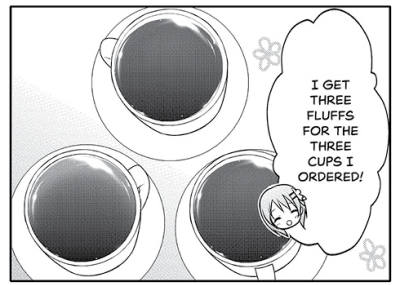


IT SOUNDS RELAXING...


A CAFÉ...
"RABBIT HOUSE"...

FLUFFY...
I'M SORRY?
BUNNY RABBITS! BUNNY RABBITS! ♪
Clatter Clatter
HE'S TIPPY. A RABBIT.
Oh, THIS?
WELCOME.
Please!
HE'S NOT FOR SALE.
No
MAY I TAKE YOUR ORDER?
I'LL TAKE THAT RABBIT!
?
Chance
Chance
.....
I'LL GIVE YOU ONE PAT PER COFFEE ORDERED.
AT LEAST LET ME FLUFF HIM!
TUD
MP!
WHAT'S WITH THIS GIRL?
THERE AREN'T ANY RABBITS!

NOO-OOO-OOO!
D'awww, SO NICE AND FLUFFY!
WHOOPS, I NEED TO WIPE MY DROOL.
SNUGGLE

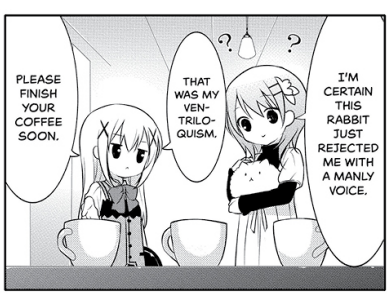

I GET THREE FLUFFS FOR THE THREE CUPS I ORDERED!

HUH? DID THIS RABBIT JUST SCREAM?
IT'S JUST YOUR IMAGINATION.

WHAT A REFINED AROMA! THIS MUST BE BLUE MOUNTAIN!
IT'S COLOMBIAN.

ANYWAY, I CAN'T GET ENOUGH OF HIS SOFT FLUFFINESS!
LET ME GO ALREADY, GIRL!
Rub
Rub
Rub

THIS TANG... KILIMANJARO!
THAT IS BLUE MOUNTAIN.


I'M CERTAIN THIS RABBIT JUST REJECTED ME WITH A MANLY VOICE.
THAT WAS MY VENTRILOQUISM.
PLEASE FINISH YOUR COFFEE SOON.
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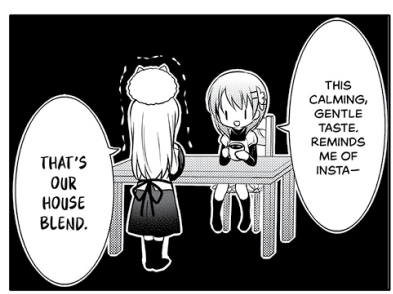
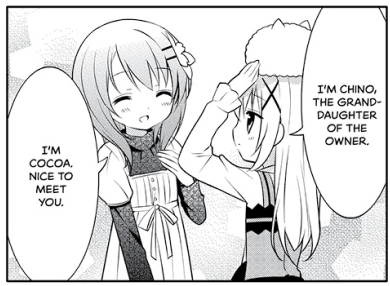
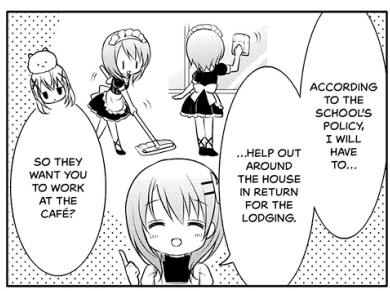

THIS CALMING, GENTLE TASTE. REMINDS ME OF INSTA—
THAT'S OUR HOUSE BLEND.

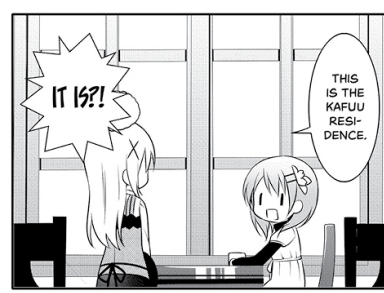

I'M CHINO, THE GRAND-DAUGHTER OF THE OWNER.
I'M COCOA. NICE TO MEET YOU.

I'LL BE ATTENDING HIGH SCHOOL HERE STARTING IN SPRING.
I SEE...
BUT I GOT LOST LOOKING FOR WHERE I'M STAYING.


ACCORDING TO THE SCHOOL'S POLICY, I WILL HAVE TO...
...HELP OUT AROUND THE HOUSE IN RETURN FOR THE LODGING.
SO THEY WANT YOU TO WORK AT THE CAFÉ?

I FIGURED I COULD ASK FOR DIRECTIONS AND TAKE A BREAK HERE!
DO YOU KNOW WHERE THE KAFUU'S RESIDENCE IS? IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE NEARBY.

THE THING IS, I CAN DO ALL THE CHORES BY MYSELF.
AND WE HAVE MORE THAN ENOUGH STAFF AT THE CAFÉ, SO...


THIS IS THE KAFUU RESI-DENCE.
IT IS?!

YOU DON'T NEED TO DO ANY-THING.
I'M ALREADY BEING TOLD THAT I'M NOT NEEDED...

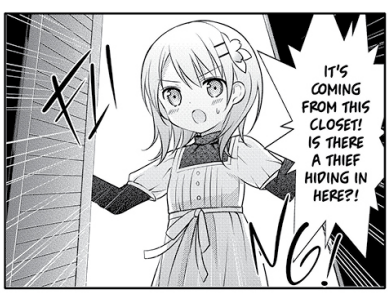
THIS IS MORE THAN JUST PURE COINCIDENCE! IT'S FATE!
NOW SHE THINKS THAT WE'RE FATED FOR EACH OTHER...
Wow!!

YAAAY, I GET TO WEAR A UNIFORM! ♪
I'LL BRING YOU A UNIFORM.
DRESSING ROOM

IS THE OWNER OUT?
...
LAST YEAR, HE...

EVEN THOUGH I'M ALONE, I FEEL LIKE I'M BEING WATCHED.
Nh!
UHHH...

SO YOU'VE BEEN TAKING CARE OF THE CAFÉ ALL ON YOUR OWN BECAUSE OF THAT?
AH! DID HE PASS AWAY?

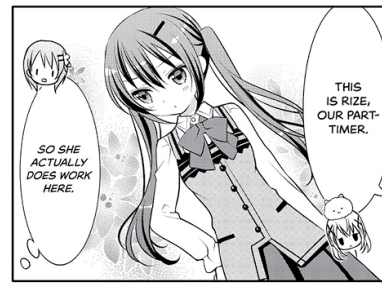

IT'S COMING FROM THIS CLOSET! IS THERE A THIEF HIDING IN HERE?!
NG!

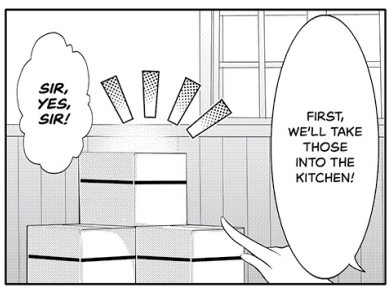
NO, MY FATHER IS HERE, AND WE HAVE ANOTHER PART-TIMER.
YOU CAN COUNT ON ME! THINK OF ME LIKE A SISTER!
GU
MP!

ACTUALLY, JUST CALL ME "SIS"!
LET'S GET YOU READY FOR WORK.
Uwwww, COCOA...

DID SOME-THING HAPPEN?
CHINO, RUN! IT'S A THIEF!
FWING!
I'M NOT—!
I THOUGHT I COMPLETELY ELIMINATED MY PRESENCE...
A... THIEF IN UNDER-WEAR?
IT'S COMMON SENSE TO HIDE FROM AN UNKNOWN PRESENCE!
THEN WHAT'S WITH THAT GUN?!
WHO ARE YOU?!
AH!
CLICK!
MY DAD IS A SOLDIER.
HE'S TRAINED ME IN VARIOUS FORMS OF SELF-DEFENSE SINCE I WAS LITTLE.
I WASN'T TOLD ABOUT A NEW RECRUIT!
I-I-I'M COCOA. I'LL BE WORKING HERE AS OF TODAY.
BUT DON'T WORRY, I'M YOUR AVERAGE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT!
THAT'S A HARD SELL RIGHT NOW!
I'M NOT SURE WHICH ONE OF US LOOKS LESS TRUSTWORTHY IN THIS SITUATION.
I DON'T TRUST YOU!

IT LOOKS GREAT ON YOU.
IT'S NICE.
Hmm ...


THIS IS RIZE, OUR PART-TIMER.
SO SHE ACTUALLY DOES WORK HERE.


FIRST, WE'LL TAKE THOSE INTO THE KITCHEN!
SIR, YES, SIR!

RIZE, PLEASE TEACH HER ABOUT THE JOB.
Ah!
S-SO I'M AN INSTRUC-TOR?

S-so heavy...
You can't expect a normal girl to lift this...
...
Heave-ho!

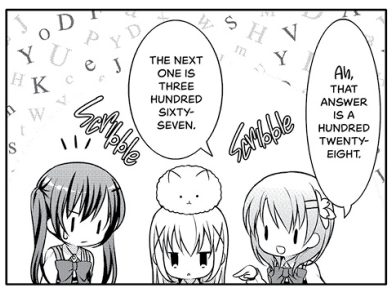
YOU SEEM HAPPY ABOUT IT.
NICE TO MEET YOU, RIZE!
WHAT PART OF MY FACE SAYS "HAPPY" TO YOU?!

AH!
R-Right...
RIGHT, RIZE?
Y-YES, THEY'RE SUPER HEAVY!
THUD!

SPARKLE!
SHOW SOME RESPECT FOR YOUR SUPERIORS! IT'S "SIR" TO YOU!
C-CALM DOWN, SIR!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, CHINO?
MY HOME-WORK.
I TRY TO SNEAK IT IN WHEN I HAVE FREE TIME.

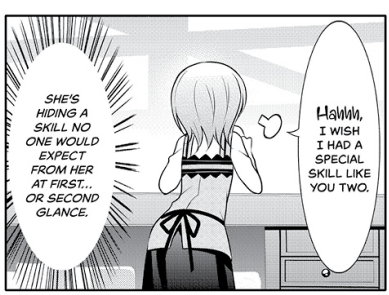
MAKE SURE YOU MEMORIZE THE MENU.
THERE ARE SO MANY DIFFERENT KINDS OF COFFEE. IT'LL BE HARD TO REMEMBER THEM ALL.


Ah, THAT ANSWER IS A HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT.
THE NEXT ONE IS THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN.
Scribble
Scribble

I'VE HAD TRAINING.
I COULD DO IT AFTER A SINGLE READ-THROUGH.
WOW!

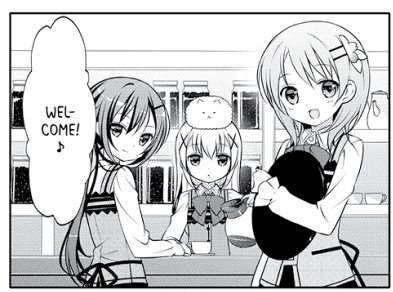
HOW MUCH WOULD IT ADD UP TO IF A CUSTOMER ORDERED TWENTY-NINE CUPS OF FOUR HUNDRED AND THIRTY YEN COFFEE?
TWELVE THOU-SAND FOUR HUNDRED AND SEVENTY YEN.
Smooth

AND CHINO CAN NAME EACH BRAND JUST FROM ITS AROMA.
SHE SOUNDS MORE GROWN-UP THAN ME.


Hahhh. I WISH I HAD A SPECIAL SKILL LIKE YOU TWO.
SHE'S HIDING A SKILL NO ONE WOULD EXPECT FROM HER AT FIRST... OR SECOND GLANCE.

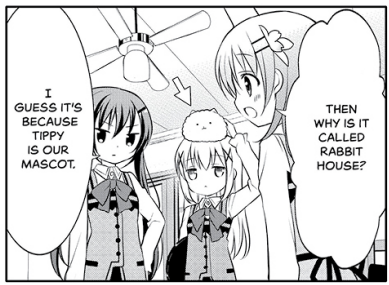
BUT SHE CAN ONLY DRINK IT WITH MILK AND SUGAR.
Phew. THAT'S THE MOST REASSURING THING I'VE HEARD ALL DAY.

WE HAVE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT.
HUH, SHE'S HANDLING CUSTOMERS WELL.

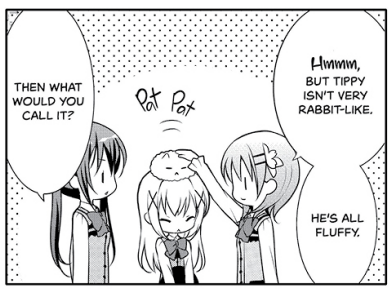

WEL-COME! ♪

GOOD JOB, GOOD JOB.
Ah!
YAAAY! I TOOK AN ORDER!

YES!
OH MY, ARE YOU NEW?
I'M COCOA. TODAY'S MY FIRST DAY.

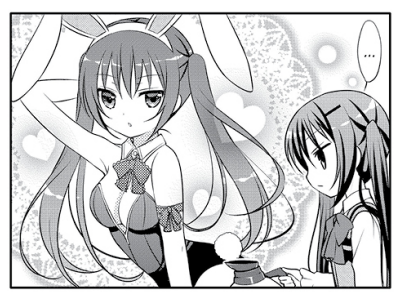

I GUESS IT'S BECAUSE TIPPY IS OUR MASCOT.
THEN WHY IS IT CALLED RABBIT HOUSE?

THAT WOULD TURN IT INTO A DIFFERENT KIND OF CAFÉ.
THIS CAFÉ IS THE RABBIT HOUSE, RIGHT?
WHY DON'T WE WEAR RABBIT EARS?


THEN WHAT WOULD YOU CALL IT?
Pat Pat
Hmmm, BUT TIPPY ISN'T VERY RABBIT-LIKE.
HE'S ALL FLUFFY.

AS IF I'D EVER WEAR THOSE.
RABBIT EARS WOULD LOOK GREAT ON RIZE!

THAT'S WAY TOO LITERAL.
PUSH!
IT'S EASY! CAFÉ FLOOF!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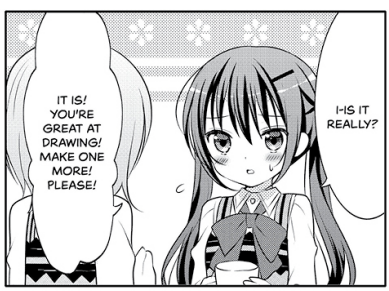
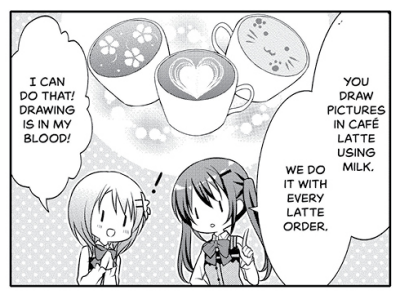
YOU ACTUALLY LIKE IT?!
CAFÉ FLOOF...

I WAS ONLY TALKING ABOUT THE EARS...
IT SHOWS TOO MUCH SKIN!

WELL, HERE'S AN EXAMPLE.
WOW! THAT'S SO PRETTY!

COCOA! DO YOU WANT TO TRY MAKING LATTE ART?
LATTE ART?
?


I-IS IT REALLY?
IT IS! YOU'RE GREAT AT DRAWING! MAKE ONE MORE! PLEASE!


YOU DRAW PICTURES IN CAFÉ LATTE USING MILK.
WE DO IT WITH EVERY LATTE ORDER.
I CAN DO THAT! DRAWING IS IN MY BLOOD!
!

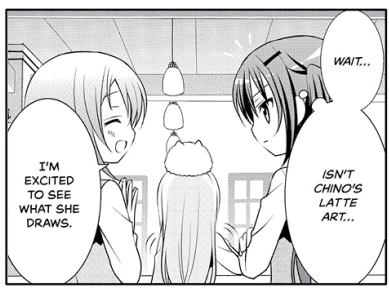
F-FINE, BUT ONLY BECAUSE YOU ASKED SO NICELY!
WATCH HOW I DO IT.
SWOOSH
SWOOSH
SWOOSH
SWOOSH

I'VE EVEN WON A COMPETITION BEFORE.
NEIGHBOR-HOOD GRADE SCHOOL CONTESTS DON'T COUNT.

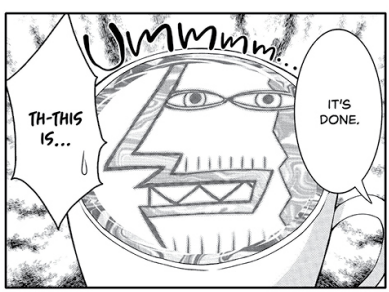
TA-DAH!
IT'S JUST A BASIC PATTERN YOU CAN LEARN QUICKLY.
TH-THIS IS FAR BEYOND BASIC...
ACTU-ALLY, THIS IS FAR BEYOND HUMAN.

GEEZ! CHINO, COME HERE AND TRY MAKING ONE!
ME TOO?

ALL RIGHT, NOW LET ME TRY!
Ro-Ximmp
Ro-Ximmp
GOOD LUCK!


WAIT...
ISN'T CHINO'S LATTE ART...
I'M EXCITED TO SEE WHAT SHE DRAWS.

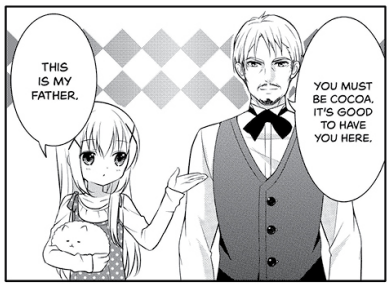
Umm...
THIS IS HARDER THAN IT LOOKS... IT'S NOT TURNING OUT HOW I IMAGINED.
LET ME SEE...


IT'S DONE.
Ummmm...
TH-THIS IS...

Droopy
C-CUTE!

CHINO IS ONE OF US!
Yay!
ONE OF YOU?
N-NO, COCOA...
YOU CAN'T COMPARE HER ART TO OURS...

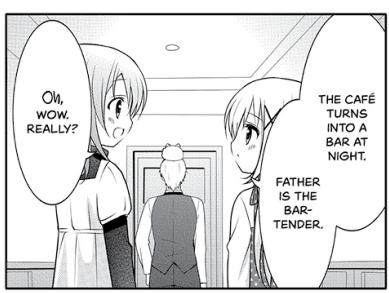
SQUIRM!
ARE YOU LAUGHING AT ME?!


THIS IS MY FATHER.
YOU MUST BE COCOA. IT'S GOOD TO HAVE YOU HERE.

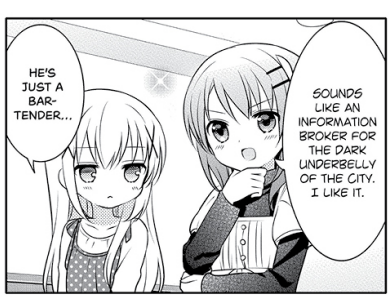
GOOD WORK.
GOOD WORK! ♪
IT'S ALMOST TIME TO CLOSE UP SHOP.

BE GOOD TO CHINO.
THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME!

YES, THAT'S RIGHT.
COCOA, YOU'LL BE LIVING HERE AS OF TODAY, RIGHT?

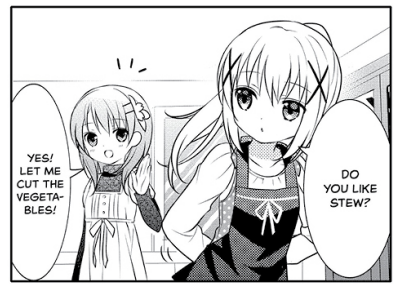

OH, WOW. REALLY?
THE CAFÉ TURNS INTO A BAR AT NIGHT.
FATHER IS THE BAR-TENDER.

I CAN DO IT MYSELF.
CHINO, LET'S COOK DINNER TOGETHER!


HE'S JUST A BAR-TENDER...
SOUNDS LIKE AN INFORMATION BROKER FOR THE DARK UNDERBELLY OF THE CITY. I LIKE IT.

W-WAIT, THAT...
...SOUNDS LIKE A LOT OF FUN!

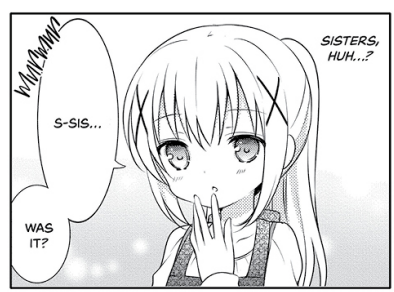
CHINO! LET'S TAKE A BATH TOGETHER!
A COCOA BATH!?
IT'LL BE A COCOA BATH!


DO YOU LIKE STEW?
YES! LET ME CUT THE VEGETA-BLES!

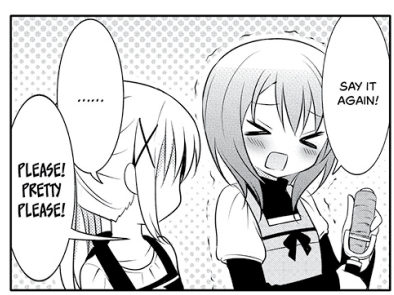
HEY, CAN WE SLEEP IN THE SAME ROOM TONIGHT?
YOU WANT TO SLEEP WITH ME?
THERE'S A LOT I WANNA TALK ABOUT WITH YOU!

COOKING TOGETHER LIKE THIS ALMOST MAKES ME FEEL LIKE WE'RE REAL SISTERS.
Ehehe!
DOES IT?

SLEEPING IN THE SAME ROOM...
TALKING...
CAN I REALLY DO ALL THESE THINGS?


SISTERS, HUH...?
S-SIS...
WAS IT?

I-I'M NOT SURE IF I CAN LIVE UP TO YOUR EXPEC-TATIONS, SO PLEASE BE KIND...
HUH?


SAY IT AGAIN!
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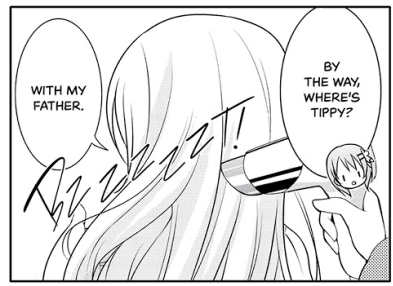
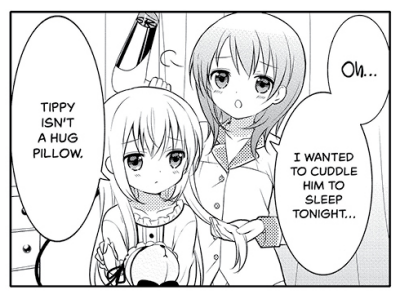
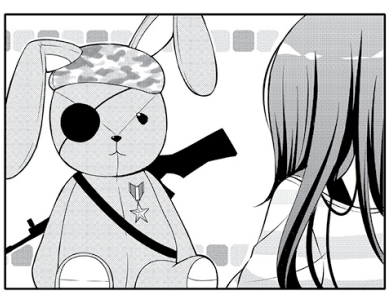
PLEASE! PRETTY PLEASE!

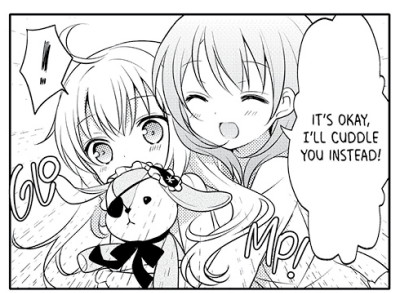
WE GOT A NEW RECRUIT AT THE CAFÉ!
YOU WON'T BELIEVE THIS, WILD GEESE.
SHE'S AN INTER-ESTING ONE FOR SURE!


BY THE WAY, WHERE'S TIPPY?
WITH MY FATHER.

SHE GOT HOOKED ON PRACTICING HER LATTE ART AND ENDED UP MAKING A TON OF LATTES!
I don't want to drink lattes for a while.


TIPPY ISN'T A HUG PILLOW.
OH...
I WANTED TO CUDDLE HIM TO SLEEP TONIGHT...

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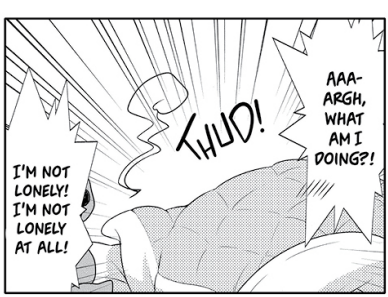
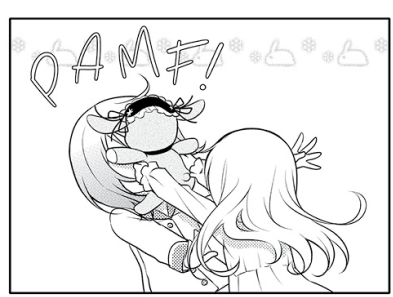
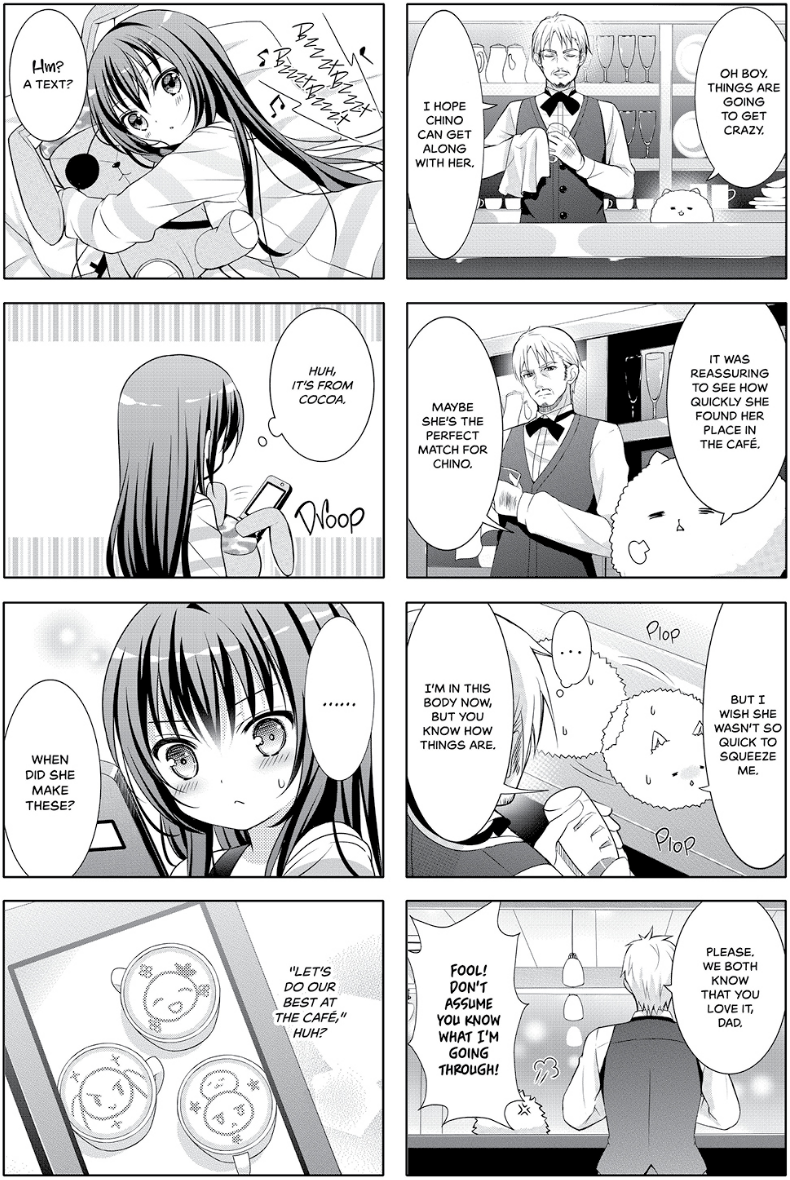
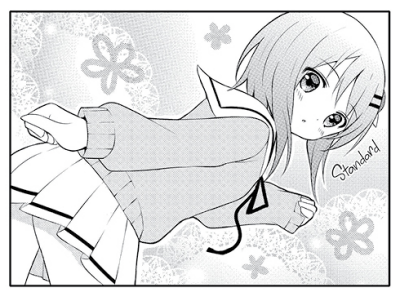
IT'S OKAY, I'LL CUDDLE YOU INSTEAD!


THUD!
AAA-ARGH, WHAT AM I DOING?!
I'M NOT LONELY! I'M NOT LONELY AT ALL!


PAMF!


OH BOY, THINGS ARE GOING TO GET CRAZY.
I HOPE CHINO CAN GET ALONG WITH HER.
IT WAS REASSURING TO SEE HOW QUICKLY SHE FOUND HER PLACE IN THE CAFÉ.
MAYBE SHE'S THE PERFECT MATCH FOR CHINO.
PLOP
PLOP
BUT I WISH SHE WASN'T SO QUICK TO SQUEEZE ME.
...
I'M IN THIS BODY NOW, BUT YOU KNOW HOW THINGS ARE.
PLEASE, WE BOTH KNOW THAT YOU LOVE IT, DAD.
FOOL! DON'T ASSUME YOU KNOW WHAT I'M GOING THROUGH!
BZZZZT BZZZZT BZZZZT BZZZZT
HM? A TEXT?
HUH, IT'S FROM COCOA.
DWOOP
......
WHEN DID SHE MAKE THESE?
"LET'S DO OUR BEST AT THE CAFÉ," HUH?

Delinquent!


Standard!

Stare
WE SHOULD GET GOING.
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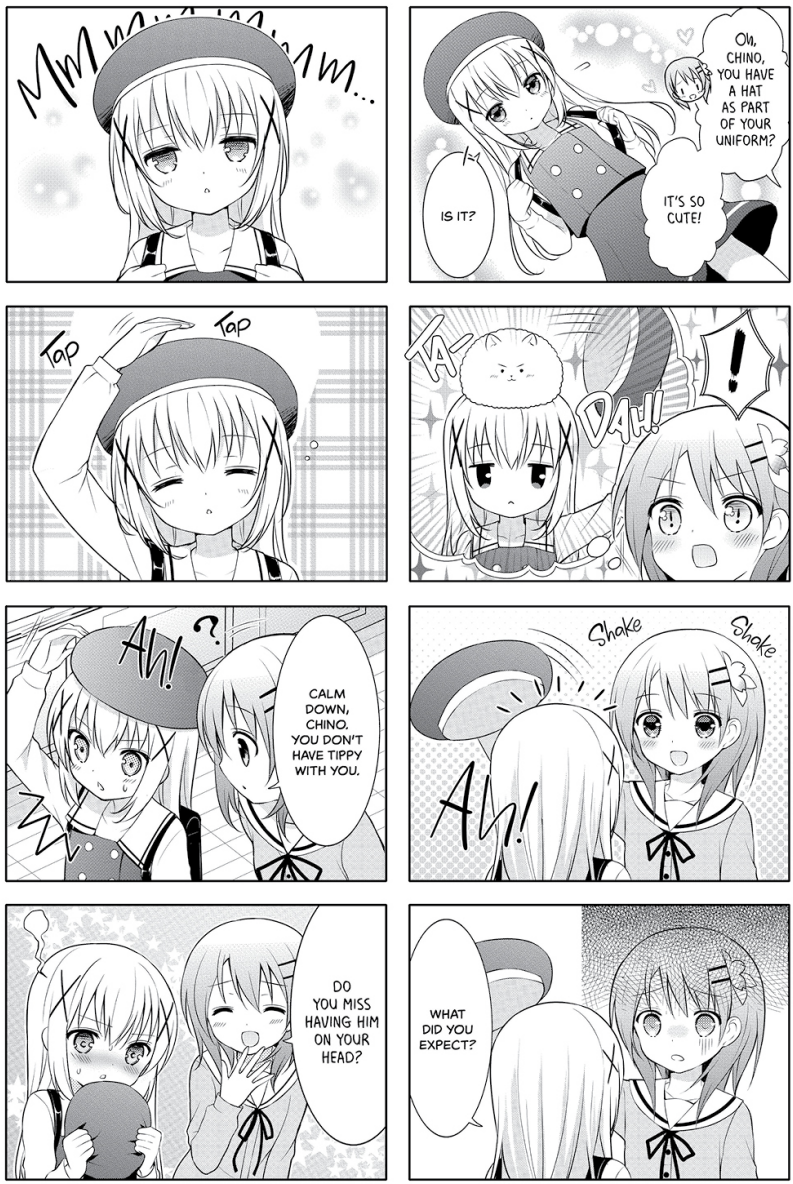
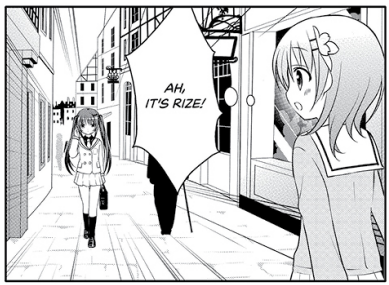
Honor Student


Mmmmmm...
Oh, CHINO, YOU HAVE A HAT AS PART OF YOUR UNIFORM?
IT'S SO CUTE!
IS IT?
Tap
Tap
Ta-
Dah!
!
Ah!
?
CALM DOWN, CHINO. YOU DON'T HAVE TIPPY WITH YOU.
Shake
Shake
Ah!
DO YOU MISS HAVING HIM ON YOUR HEAD?
WHAT DID YOU EXPECT?


AH, IT'S RIZE!

WE'RE GOING NOW!
WE'RE GOING.

RIZE! RIZE! GOOD MORNING!
STOP SCREAM-ING AT ME!

IS YOUR SCHOOL THIS WAY TOO?
YES, IT IS.

WOW, I WISH WE WENT TO THE SAME SCHOOL
YOUR UNIFORM IS REALLY COOL!
I-IT'S NOTHING EXTRA-ORDINARY...

THEN WE CAN GO AT LEAST PART OF THE WAY—
TO-GETHER.

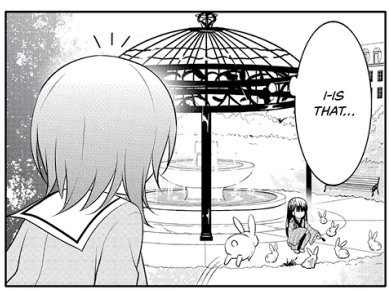
DO YOU WANT TO TRADE UNI-FORMS?
I kind of want to try the blazer look.
GO TO YOUR OWN SCHOOL!

ALL RIGHT, I'M GOING THIS WAY.
THAT WAS FAST!

DO YOU KNOW THE WAY TO YOUR SCHOOL?
DON'T WORRY, I'LL MAKE IT THERE!
WELL, SEE YOU LATER AT THE CAFÉ.
OKAY, DON'T GET LOST.
FIVE MINUTES LATER
WOOOW, FANCY SEEING YOU HERE!
I'M KINDA WORRIED...
FIVE MORE MINUTES LATER
OH, WOW. WHAT ARE THE CHANCES?
OH, WE MEET AGAIN!
HUH?!
DID I WANDER INTO AN ALTERNATE DIMEN-SION?!
ARE YOU OKAY? DO YOU HAVE A HEAD-ACHE?
IS SHE...
I'M GOING NOW! SEE YOU LATER!
...LOST ?!

AH, WAIT! GIVE ME ONE MORE MINUTE OF YOUR FLUFF!
Hop!

Hahhhh... I'M TIRED FROM WALKING.
Fluffy


I-IS THAT...

IS THAT A LEGENDARY WILD RABBIT?!
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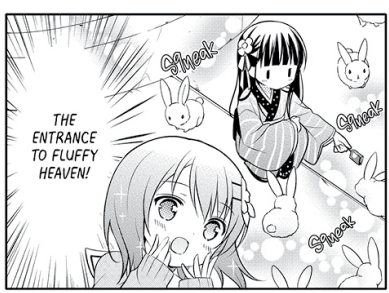
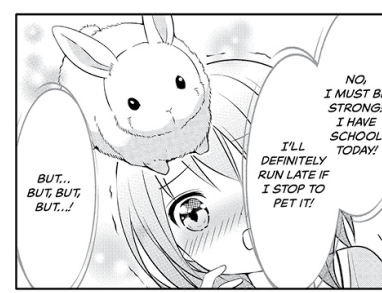
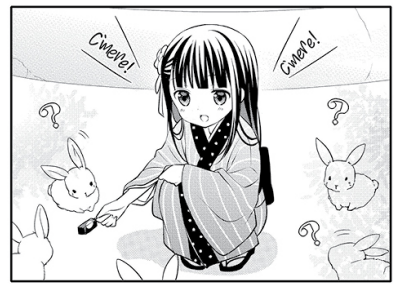

THE ENTRANCE TO FLUFFY HEAVEN!
Squeak
Squeak
Squeak


NO, I MUST BE STRONG! I HAVE SCHOOL TODAY!
I'LL DEFINITELY RUN LATE IF I STOP TO PET IT!
BUT... BUT, BUT, BUT...!

CHESTNUT YOUKAN?

Ahhhhh!
D'awwww!
IT'S SO SOFT AND CUDDLY!

I CAUGHT A GIRL INSTEAD OF A RABBIT.


Ciwere!
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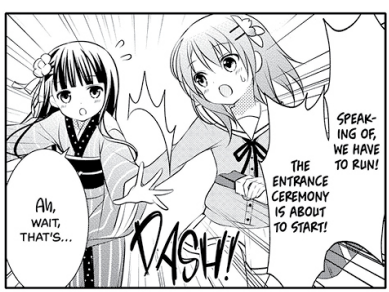
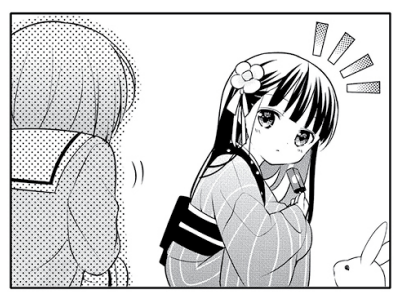
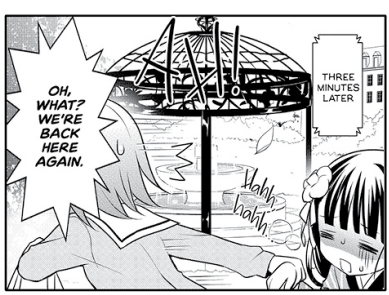
REALLY? SO WE GO TO THE SAME SCHOOL?!
OH, THAT'S THE SAME UNIFORM I HAVE BACK AT HOME.

OUR RABBIT AT HOME DOES.
THEY WON'T EAT IT?


AH, WAIT, THAT'S...
THE ENTRANCE CEREMONY IS ABOUT TO START!
SPEAKING OF, WE HAVE TO RUN!
DASH!




OH, WHAT? WE'RE BACK HERE AGAIN.
THREE MINUTES LATER
Hahh hahh

HUH?

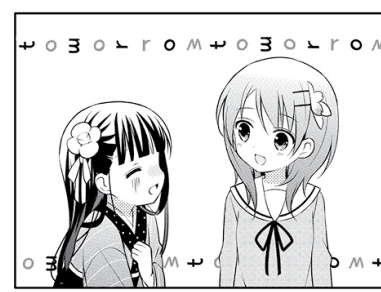
I'M UJIMATSU CHIYA. IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU.
YOUR NAME IS COCOA, RIGHT?

OUR ENTRANCE CEREMONY IS TOMORROW.
Ummm...

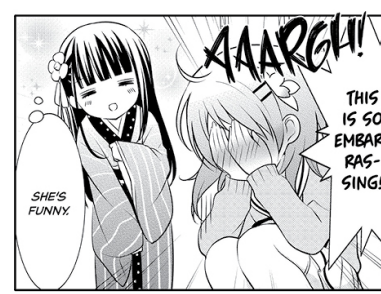
DO YOU LIKE IT? I MADE IT MYSELF.
IT'S VERY DELI-CIOUS.
WHERE DID YOU BUY THIS CHESTNUT YOUKAN?

I SAID THAT OUR ENTRANCE CEREMONY IS TOMORROW.
HUH? WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY?

YES! THAT'S ONE OF MY BEST ONES YET.
YOU CAN MAKE JAPANESE SWEETS?



THAT'S SO COOL!
But I don't get it
THE CHESTNUT REPRE-SENTS THE MOON AS IT TRAVELS ACROSS THE NIGHT SKY.
I CALL THIS "THE MOON OF A THOUSAND NIGHTS".
THE MOON OF A THOUSAND NIGHTS

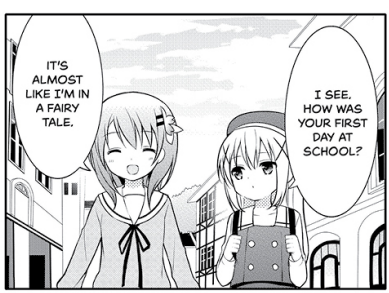

AAARGH!
THIS IS SO EMBAR-RAS-SING!
SHE'S FUNNY.

Ah!
CHINO! WELCOME BACK!

Ah!
LET ME SHOW YOU THE WAY TO SCHOOL SO YOU WON'T GET LOST TOMORROW.
Y- YOU'RE A GODDESS!

HOW WAS YOUR FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL?
I'VE NEVER SEEN CUTE HOUSES LIKE YOU HAVE IN THIS TOWN. IT'S EASY TO GET LOST LOOKING AT THEM.

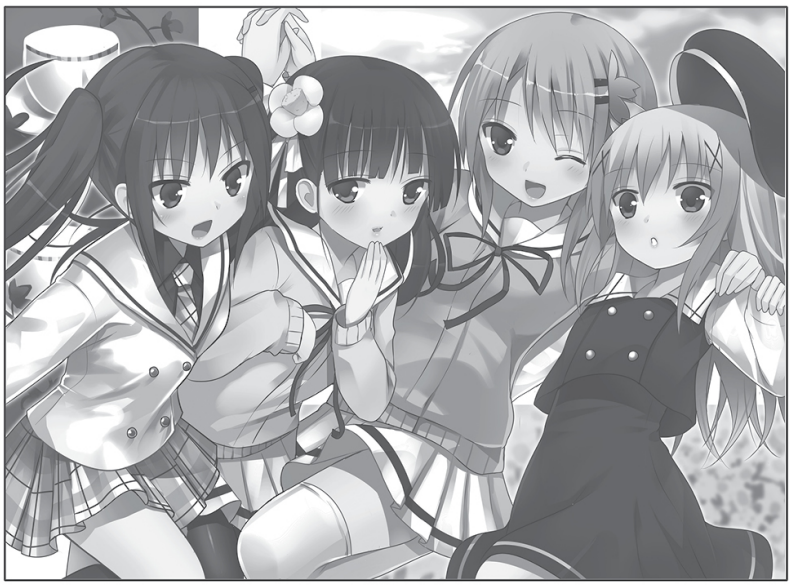
THAT'S OUR SCHOOL RIGHT UP AHEAD.

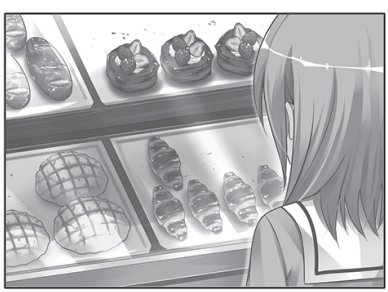

I SEE. HOW WAS YOUR FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL?
IT'S ALMOST LIKE I'M IN A FAIRY TALE.

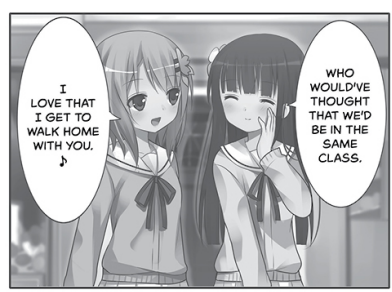
SO THAT'S MY NEW SCHOOL.
JUST LOOKING AT IT FROM OUTSIDE MAKES MY HEART FLUTTER!

HOW WAS—
CAN WE NOT TALK ABOUT IT?

AH... THIS IS MY MIDDLE SCHOOL.
I FORGOT I GRADUATED ALREADY..





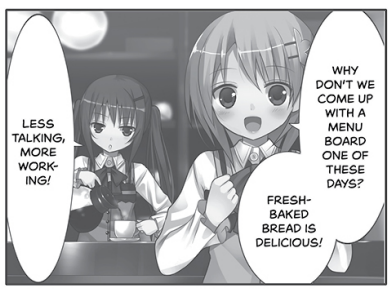

I LOVE THAT I GET TO WALK HOME WITH YOU. ♪
WHO WOULD'VE THOUGHT THAT WE'D BE IN THE SAME CLASS.

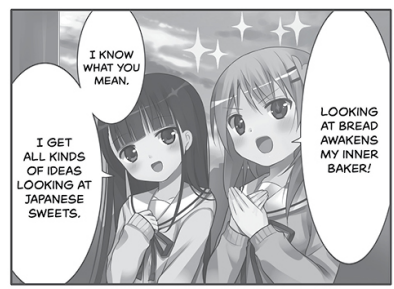
THE BREAD IS?
CUTE...

IS THAT A BAKERY?
AH, SOME-THING SMELLS NICE.

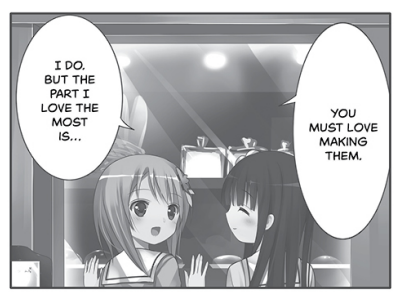
WE DO HAVE A LARGE OVEN.
GRANDPA GOT EXCITED ONCE AND BOUGHT ONE ON IMPULSE.
REAL-LY?!

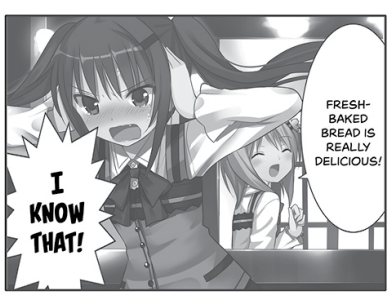
MY FAMILY RUNS A BAKERY BACK HOME, SO I USED TO MAKE BREAD ALL THE TIME.
WOW, YOU CAN MAKE YOUR OWN?
I WANT TO MAKE IT AGAIN.


WHY DON'T WE COME UP WITH A MENU BOARD ONE OF THESE DAYS?
LESS TALKING, MORE WORK-ING!
FRESH-BAKED BREAD IS DELICIOUS!


I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN.
LOOKING AT BREAD AWAKENS MY INNER BAKER!
I GET ALL KINDS OF IDEAS LOOKING AT JAPANESE SWEETS.

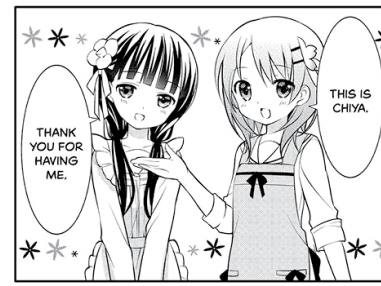
Grrrrrrr


YOU MUST LOVE MAKING THEM.
I DO. BUT THE PART I LOVE THE MOST IS...


FRESH-BAKED BREAD IS REALLY DELICIOUS!
I KNOW THAT!

...GETTING TO NAME MY CREATIONS!
TRIO OF SHINY PEARLS
RED JEWEL IN A SNOWY FIELD
That sounds yummy!

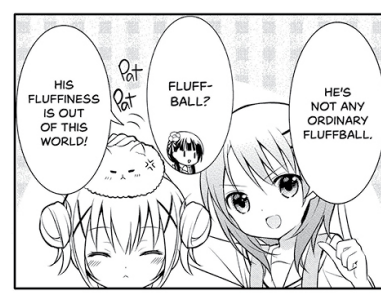
THAT WASN'T A COMPLIMENT.
Eheheh...
ANYWAY, I WAS SURPRISED TO HEAR THAT YOU CAN MAKE BREAD.


THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME.
THIS IS CHIYA.

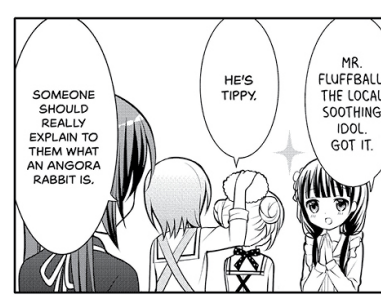
IT'S A FIERCE BATTLE WHERE THE TINIEST MISTAKE CAN LEAD TO ABSOLUTE DISASTER!
EVERYONE, LISTEN TO ME! DON'T UNDERESTIMATE BREAD-MAKING!

HE'S NOT A PUPPY. HE'S TIPPY.
OH, THAT PUPPY...

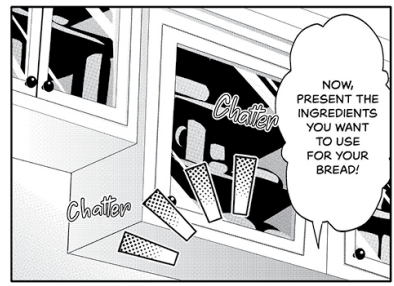
THIS AURA... SHE'S LIKE A BATTLE-SCARRED WARRIOR!
COCOA IS FIRED UP FOR ONCE!


HIS FLUFFINESS IS OUT OF THIS WORLD!
Pat Pat
FLUFF-BALL?
HE'S NOT ANY ORDINARY FLUFFBALL.

THIS IS GETTING TOO HEATED FOR ME.
I'D LIKE TO JOIN TOO!
I'LL WALK YOU THROUGH IT!
I'LL BE FOLLOWING YOUR INSTRUCTIONS TODAY, COCOA! I'M COUNTING ON YOU!


SOMEONE SHOULD REALLY EXPLAIN TO THEM WHAT AN ANGORA RABBIT IS.
HE'S TIPPY.
MR. FLUFFBALL, THE LOCAL SOOTHING IDOL. GOT IT.

WE'LL BE USING DRY YEAST TODAY.
DRY YEAST ?!
IS THAT EDIBLE?!


NOW, PRESENT THE INGREDIENTS YOU WANT TO USE FOR YOUR BREAD!
Chatter
Chatter

IT'S DRY YEAST FUNGUS.
IT MAKES THE BREAD RISE!

I'M MAKING YAKISOBA BREAD, BUT WITH A TWIST!
I'LL USE UDON INSTEAD OF SOBA! THAT'S RIGHT, I'M MAKING UDON BREAD!
UDON
Udon
BREAD

THE BEAST FUNGUS WILL RISE?!
GWARG
GH!
0.5MM X LOTS

I BROUGHT MY FAMILY'S SPECIAL RED BEANS, PLUMS, AND SEAWEED!
I FOUND SALMON ROE, SALMON, NATTO, AND KONBU SEAWEED WITH SESAME IN THE FRIDGE.

I-I'D RATHER MAKE DRY, FLAKY BREAD THAN...
...USE SOMETHING SO TERRIFYING!
Huh?

I GOT STRAWBERRY JAM AND MARMALADE...
WE'RE MAKING BREAD, RIGHT?

CHIYA, ARE YOU OKAY? DO YOU NEED HELP?
NN! NO, I'M OKAY!

I NEVER REALIZED HOW LONG IT TAKES TO KNEAD DOUGH.
MY ARMS... I CAN'T MOVE MY ARMS...

SHE'S SUCH A HARD WORKER.
SHE'S DOING HER BEST.

RIZE, YOU SEEM TO BE DOING OKAY.
WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THAT?

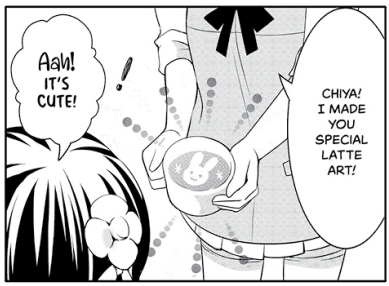
I CAN'T CREATE MORE WORK FOR COCOA.
I MUST SHOW THEM THAT I CAN KEEP UP!

COCOA IS...
HM?!

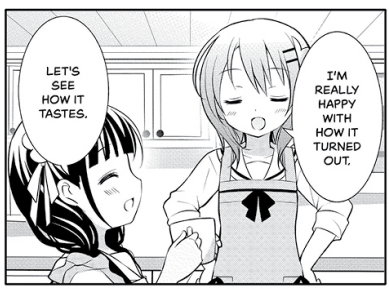
I'D DISGRACE THE SAMURAI IF I FOLDED NOW!
WHOOSH!
I SHALL NOT DISGRACE THEE!
TEA?
PEK!

BREAD IN THIS STATE IS REALLY SPRINGY...
...AND SUPER CUTE!
JUST HOW DEEP IS HER LOVE FOR BREAD?!

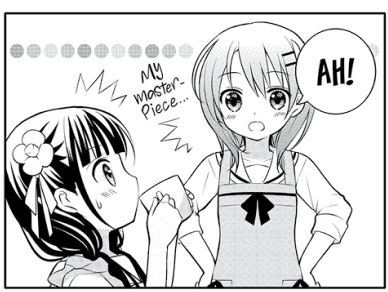
RIZE, ARE YOU MAKING BUNNY BREAD?
They look good...
I JUST NEED TO DRAW THEIR FACES AFTER THEY'RE DONE BAKING.
WHAT SHAPE DID YOU MAKE YOURS INTO, CHINO?
Knead
Knead
MY GRANDPA.
GU
LP...
AFTER BAKING
THEY BAKED PERFECTLY, BUT NOW COMES THE REAL TEST!
STOP SHAKING, ME!
HE PLAYED WITH ME A LOT WHEN I WAS LIT'TLE.
Plup
GRANDPA'S GIRL, HUH?
DROOP
AH! THEY HAVEN'T COOLED DOWN YET!
I REALLY ADMIRED THE WAY HE LOOKED WHEN HE POURED COFFEE.
Plupplup
THE OVEN IS ALMOST READY, GIRLS!
WELL, THEN...
IT'S TIME TO BAKE GRANDPA.
!!
IT MELTED!
THEY MELT MY HEART!
...


Aaw! IT'S CUTE!
CHIYA! I MADE YOU SPECIAL LATTE ART!

Staaare...
CHINO HAS BEEN GLUED TO THE OVEN EVER SINCE SHE PUT HER BREAD IN.


LET'S SEE HOW IT TASTES.
I'M REALLY HAPPY WITH HOW IT TURNED OUT.

IT IS.
THEY'RE GROWING BIGGER AND BIGGER.
IS WATCHING THE BREAD THAT FUN?


AH!
My Master-Piece...

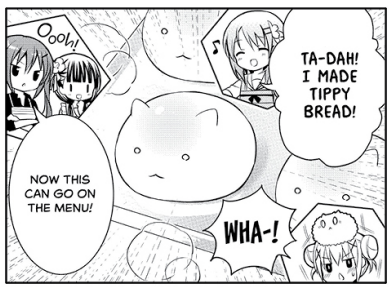
Ah!
COCOA AND CHIYA JUST OVERTOOK GRANDPA!
GO, GRANDPA! YOU CAN DO IT!

Smile, Smile
SH-SHE'S MAKING THIS REALLY HARD.

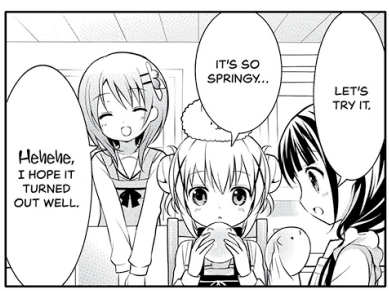
MEAN-WHILE, RIZE IS LAGGING BEHIND. YOU SHOULD PUT MORE EFFORT INTO IT.
I CAN'T DO MUCH ABOUT IT.

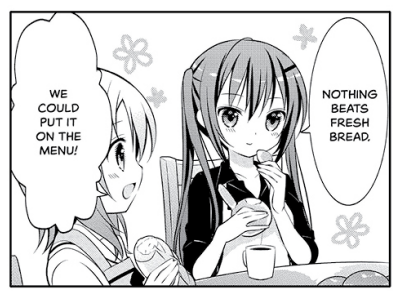
Ah, LET ME GRAB IT.
BY THE WAY, I SAW ONE MORE LEFT IN THE OVEN.
WHAT'S THAT GOING TO BE?

LET'S TASTE THEM!
THEY'RE DONE!

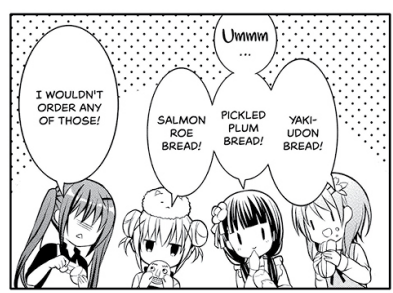

Oooh!
TA-DAH! I MADE TIPPY BREAD!
NOW THIS CAN GO ON THE MENU!
WHA-!

I LIKE IT.
Mmm! DELI-CIOUS!

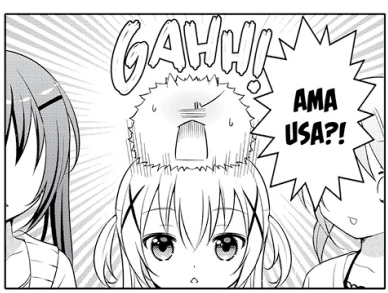

IT'S SO SPRINGY...
LET'S TRY IT.
Hehehe, I HOPE IT TURNED OUT WELL.


WE COULD PUT IT ON THE MENU!
NOTHING BEATS FRESH BREAD.

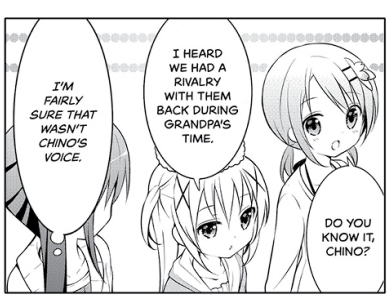
IT LOOKS A BIT MORBID...
DID YOU FILL IT WITH STRAW-BERRY JAM?


Ummm ...
I WOULDN'T ORDER ANY OF THOSE!
SALMON ROE BREAD!
PICKLED PLUM BREAD!
YAKI-UDON BREAD!

Menu

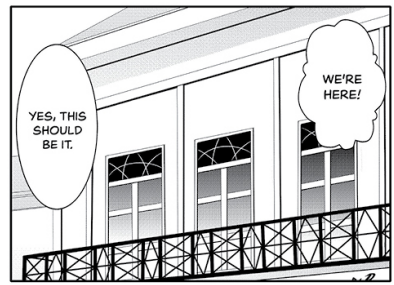

GAHH!
AMA USA?!

I LOVED BAKING BREAD WITH EVERYONE.
SO I'D LIKE TO INVITE YOU ALL TO OUR CAFÉ AS A THANK YOU.

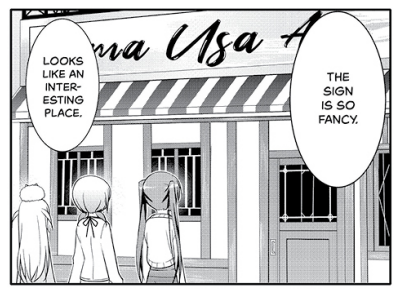

DO YOU KNOW IT, CHINO?
I HEARD WE HAD A RIVALRY WITH THEM BACK DURING GRANDPA'S TIME.
I'M FAIRLY SURE THAT WASN'T CHINO'S VOICE.

I'M CURIOUS TO SEE WHAT THEIR CAFÉ IS LIKE!
WHAT IS IT CALLED?
AMA USA, I THINK.

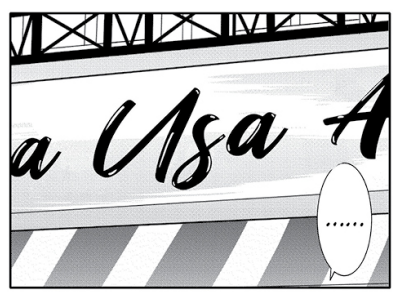
HELLO!
KING-KING


WE'RE HERE!
YES, THIS SHOULD BE IT.

OH, GIRLS! WELCOME!


THE SIGN IS SO FANCY.
LOOKS LIKE AN INTER-ESTING PLACE.

AH, YOU WORE THAT KIMONO THE FIRST TIME WE MET.
Is it your work uniform?
I WAS ON MY WAY BACK FROM DELIVERING CHESTNUT YOUKAN FOR ONE OF OUR REGULARS.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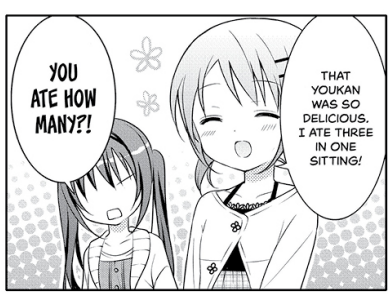
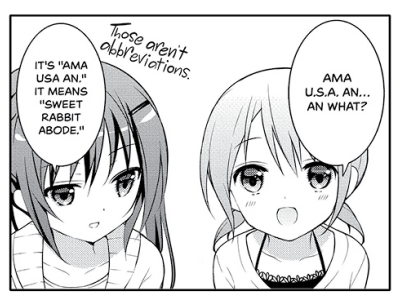
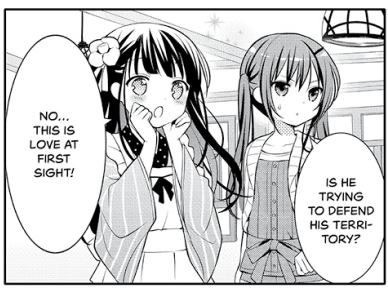

THAT YOUKAN WAS SO DELICIOUS. I ATE THREE IN ONE SITTING!
YOU ATE HOW MANY?!


AMA U.S.A. AN... AN WHAT?
Those aren't abbreviations.
IT'S "AMA USA AN." IT MEANS "SWEET RABBIT ABODE."

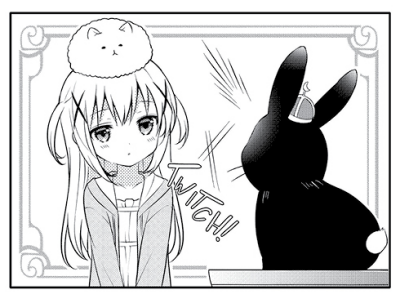
ARE YOU OKAY, CHINO?
THAT STARTLED ME.

A RABBIT!
THAT'S OUR MASCOT, ANKO.


IS HE TRYING TO DEFEND HIS TERRITORY?
NO... THIS IS LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT!

I THOUGHT IT WAS A STATUE.
ANKO DOESN'T REALLY MOVE UNLESS SOMETHING PIQUES HIS INTEREST.

WHO WOULD'VE THOUGHT THAT MY SHY, LITTLE ANKO WOULD ONE DAY...
...FIND TRUE LOVE.
WAIT, ISN'T TIPPY A BOY?
?
I thought he was anyway.

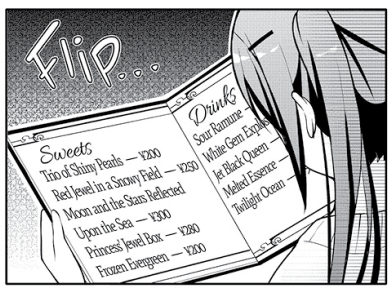

WITCH!

TIPPY IS A GIRL.
At least on the outside.

TIP-PY-!
BONK!

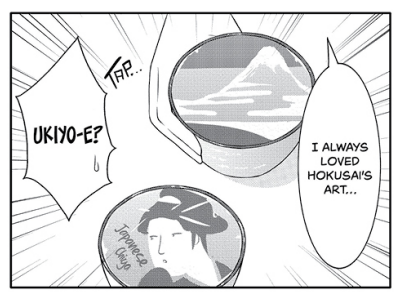
DO YOU HAVE A MENU?
YES, HERE IT IS.

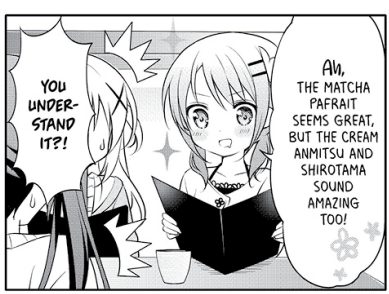
I TRIED MAKING LATTE ART WITH MATCHA.
HOW IS IT?

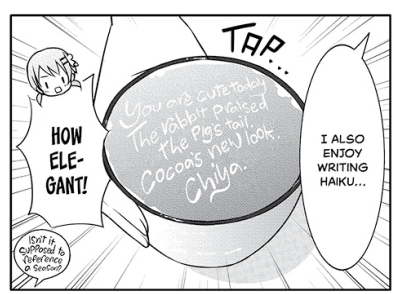

Flip...
Sweets
Trio of Shiny Pearls — ¥200
Red Jewel in a Snowy Field — ¥250
Moon and the Stars Reflected Upon the Sea — ¥300
Princess' Jewel Box — ¥280
Frozen Evergreen — ¥200
Drink
Sour Ramune —
White Gem Espresso —
Jet Black Queen —
Melted Essence —
Twilight Ocean —

WOW! LEMME SEE!
I CAN'T MAKE THEM CUTE LIKE YOU, BUT...

? ?
WHY DOES EVERY ITEM SOUND LIKE A SPECIAL TECHNIQUE FROM A BATTLE MANGA?


TAP...
UKIYO-E?
I ALWAYS LOVED HOKUSAI'S ART...
Japanese Wave


YOU UNDER-STAND IT?!
Ah, THE MATCHA PAFRAIT SEEMS GREAT, BUT THE CREAM ANMITSU AND SHIROTAMA SOUND AMAZING TOO!


TAP...
HOW ELE-GANT!
I ALSO ENJOY WRITING HAIKU...
You are cute today
The rabbit praised
the pigs tail.
Cocoa's new look.
Chiya.
Isn't it supposed to reference a sweet?

IT'S HERE!
THANK YOU FOR WAITING.

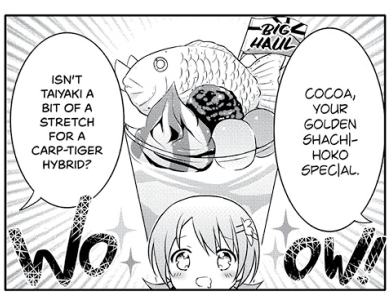
OKAY, JUST A MOMENT.

RED BEAN SOUP WITH SHIRATAMA AND CHESTNUTS?
MOON AND THE STARS REFLECTED UPON THE SEA FOR YOU, RIZE.

...
JAPANESE CLOTHES ARE SO GRACEFUL, DON'T YOU THINK?

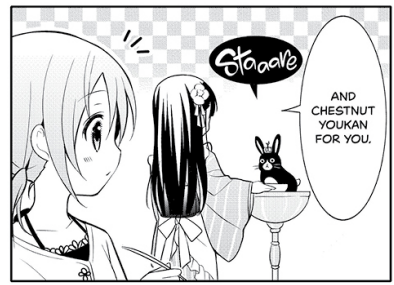
THERE'S DANGO STUCK INTO THE ANMITSU!
CHINO, YOU ORDERED TRIPLET PEARLS OF THE FLOWERING CAPITAL.

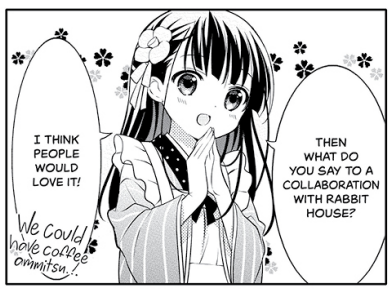
BUT IT'D LOOK GREAT ON YOU!
N-NO, NOTHING LIKE THAT!
DO YOU WANT TO TRY IT ON?

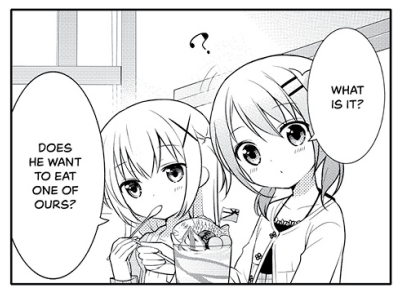

BIG HAUL
ISN'T TAIYAKI A BIT OF A STRETCH FOR A CARP-TIGER HYBRID?
COCOA, YOUR GOLDEN SHACHI-HOKO SPECIAL.
WOW
OWW

Why don't you take a bite?
THAT'S WHAT YOU MEANT?!
PLAN?
You'd look so cool!

THIS RED BEAN SOUP IS REALLY DELICIOUS.
WE'LL HAVE TO STEP UP OUR DESSERTS TO KEEP UP WITH THEM.


AND CHESTNUT YOUKAN FOR YOU.
Staaare


THEN WHAT DO YOU SAY TO A COLLABORATION WITH RABBIT HOUSE?
I THINK PEOPLE WOULD LOVE IT!
We could have coffee ommitsu...!


WHAT IS IT?
DOES HE WANT TO EAT ONE OF OURS?

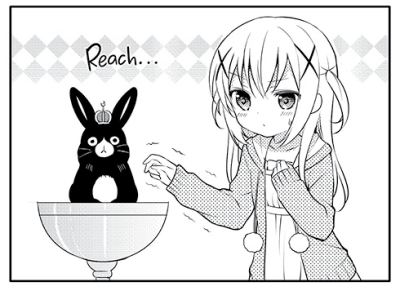
HOW ABOUT TOWELS AND TOTE BAGS?
A COFFEE MUG WOULD BE NICE.
Amausa × Rabbit house
Amausa × Rabbit house

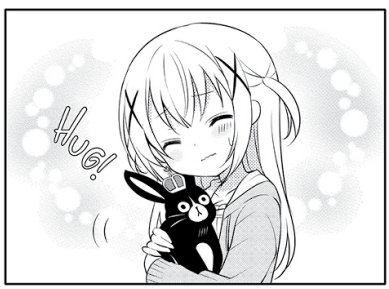
OH, C'MERE, YOU CUTE LITTLE THING. YOU CAN HAVE A NIBBLE.
BUT ONLY IF I GET TO PET YOU LATER!

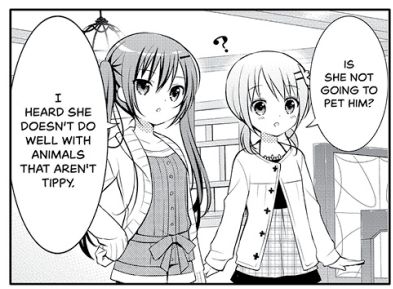
HM?
I WAS THINKING MORE LIKE A COLLAB MENU...

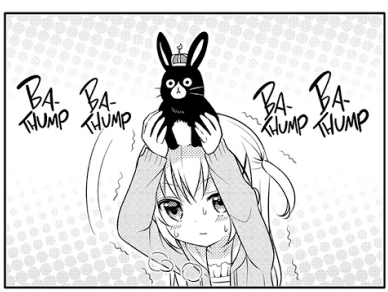
HE JUMPED IN FOR THE WHOLE BOWL!
HOP!

Pat
Pat


Reach...


HUG!


IS SHE NOT GOING TO PET HIM?
I HEARD SHE DOESN'T DO WELL WITH ANIMALS THAT AREN'T TIPPY.


BA-THUMP
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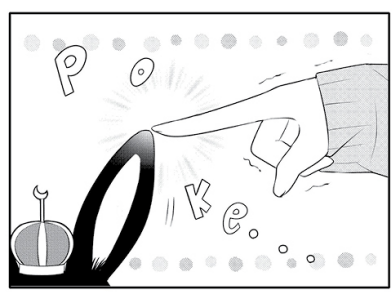
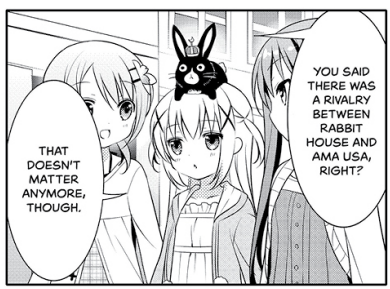

Poke.

TA-DAH
IS SHE NOT SATISFIED UNLESS SHE PUTS HIM ON HER HEAD?
WOW! THEY'RE SUCH GOOD FRIENDS ALREADY!

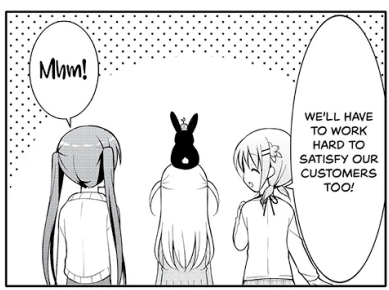
WE'LL THROW YOU A PARTY IF YOU GIVE HIM A GOOD PAT!
AH...!
WOW, CHINO! YOU DID IT!
WHOOSH!!

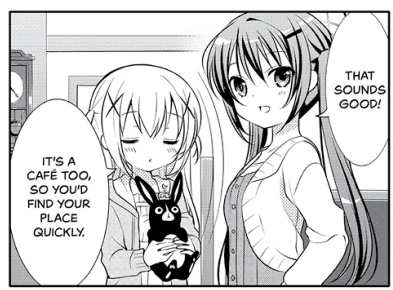
BYE-BYE, CHIYA!

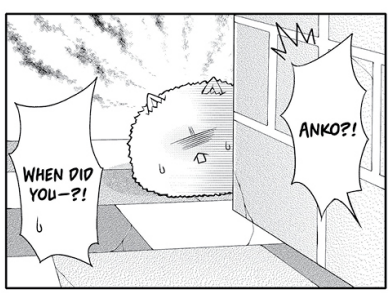
Welcome!
IF I WERE STAYING HERE, I'D PROBABLY BE WORKING AT YOUR CAFÉ, CHIYA.


YOU SAID THERE WAS A RIVALRY BETWEEN RABBIT HOUSE AND AMA USA, RIGHT?
THAT DOESN'T MATTER ANYMORE, THOUGH.

YOU'RE WELCOME TO START ANY TIME YOU'D LIKE.
WE'RE ALWAYS HIRING NEW STAFF.

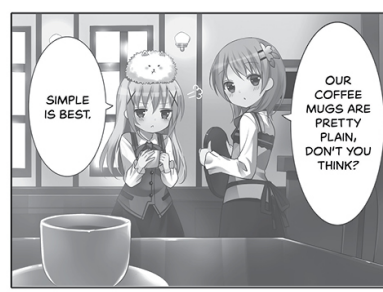

Mm!
WE'LL HAVE TO WORK HARD TO SATISFY OUR CUSTOMERS TOO!


THAT SOUNDS GOOD!
IT'S A CAFÉ TOO, SO YOU'D FIND YOUR PLACE QUICKLY.


ANKO?!
WHEN DID YOU—?!

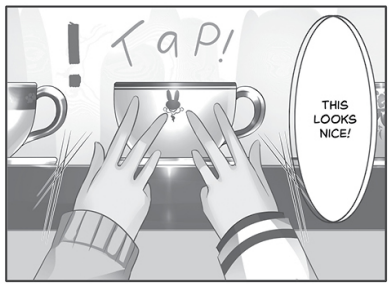
HURRY, BRING YOUR THINGS OVER. I'LL GET A ROOM READY FOR YOU.
Clench
SOMEBODY STOP HER!

I SAW A FUN MUG THE OTHER DAY!
WE SHOULD GO AND BUY IT!
Hmm, WHAT KIND?

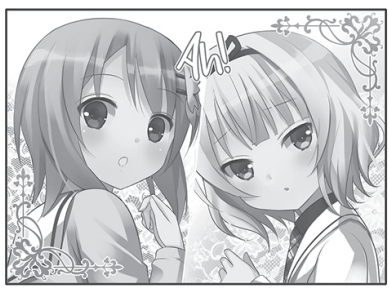

OUR COFFEE MUGS ARE PRETTY PLAIN, DON'T YOU THINK?
SIMPLE IS BEST.

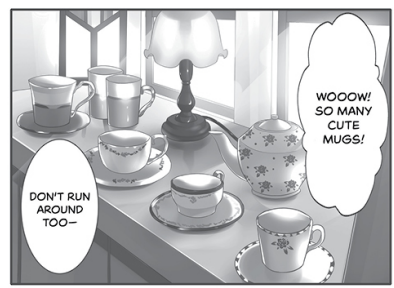
LIKE THIS!
THAT'S AN AROMATIC CANDLE.

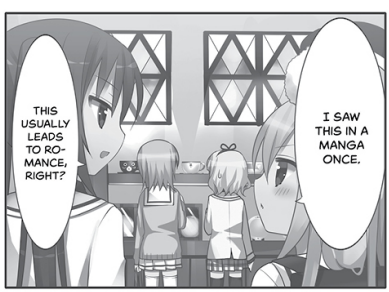
I'M SURE EVERYONE WOULD ENJOY A BIT OF VARIETY.
Hmm...
MAYBE YOU'RE RIGHT...

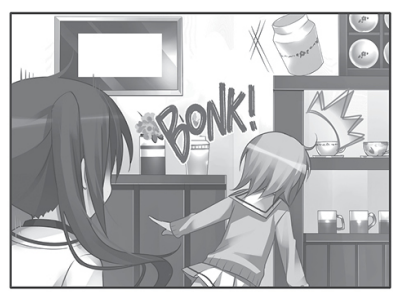

Tap!
THIS LOOKS NICE!

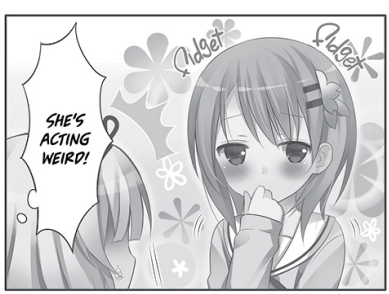
Ok!!
THAT SHOP LOOKS GOOD!
He's also Santa!
Tippy's coming with us?

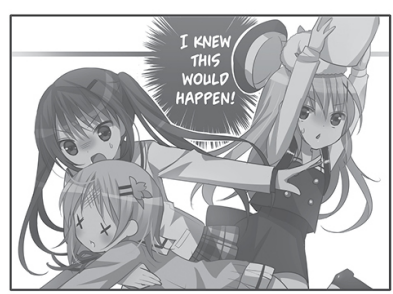

Ah!


WOOOW! SO MANY CUTE MUGS!
DON'T RUN AROUND TOO–

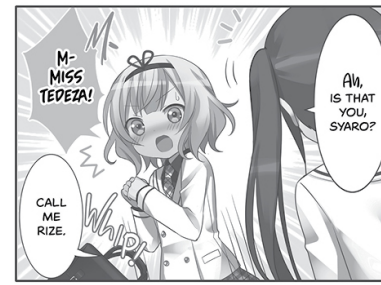

THIS USUALLY LEADS TO ROMANCE, RIGHT?
I SAW THIS IN A MANGA ONCE.

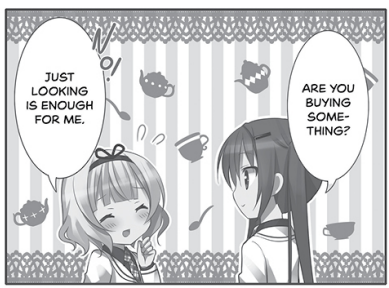

BONK!

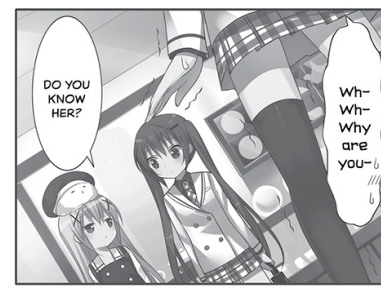

SHE'S ACTING WEIRD!
Flaget
Flaget


I KNEW THIS WOULD HAPPEN!

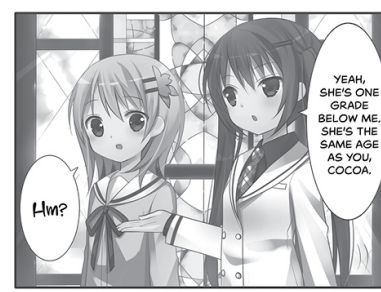
WE'RE LOOKING FOR MUGS TO USE AT THE CAFÉ.
I-IS THAT SO?


Ah, IS THAT YOU, SYARO?
M-MISS TEDEZA!
CALL ME RIZE.
Whip!


ARE YOU BUYING SOME-THING?
JUST LOOKING IS ENOUGH FOR ME.


Wh-Wh-Why are you-
DO YOU KNOW HER?

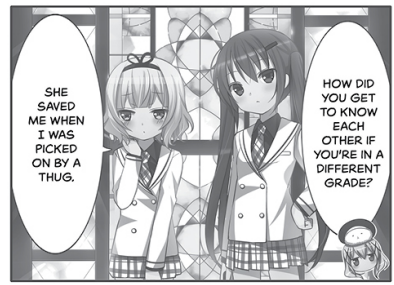
THIS BLINDING WHITE COLOR... THE SMOOTH SURFACE...
Squish!

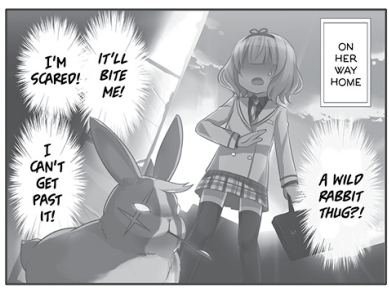

YEAH, SHE'S ONE GRADE BELOW ME. SHE'S THE SAME AGE AS YOU, COCOA.
Hm?

YOU HAVE STRANGE TASTES.
YOU'RE ONE TO TALK.
Hyper~
Puffy

YOU'RE OLDER THAN ME, RIZE?
YOU DIDN'T KNOW ?!

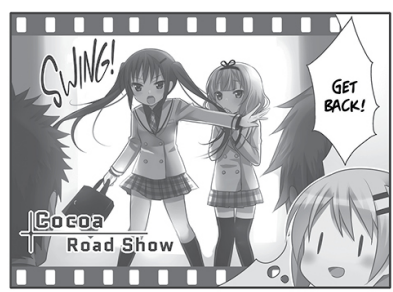
NO, THAT'S NOT HOW IT HAPPENED.
AH! DON'T TELL THEM!

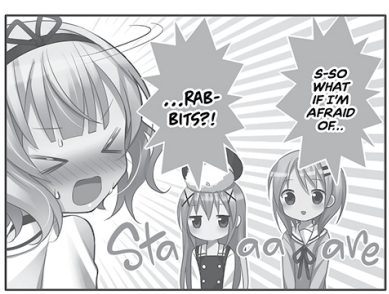

HOW DID YOU GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER IF YOU'RE IN A DIFFERENT GRADE?
SHE SAVED ME WHEN I WAS PICKED ON BY A THUG.

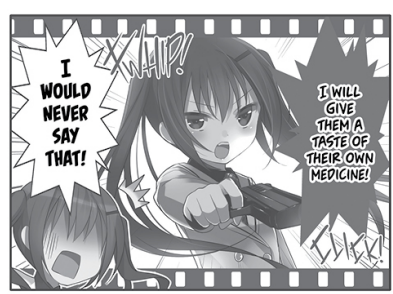

ON HER WAY HOME
A WILD RABBIT THUG?!
IT'LL BITE ME!
I'M SCARED!
I CAN'T GET PAST IT!

Hm?
THAT'S SO COOL!

Hahh, YOU'RE BLOCKING THE ROAD AGAIN?
Shoo, Shoo!
Tch!

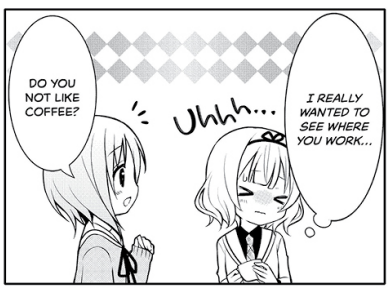

SWING!
GET BACK!
Cocoa
Road Show


...RAB-BITS?!
S-SO WHAT IF I'M AFRAID OF..


WHAT?
I WOULD NEVER SAY THAT!
I WILL GIVE THEM A TASTE OF THEIR OWN MEDICINE!
CLICK!

AH!
OH, REALLY?
BUT WE SERVE COFFEE, SO WE NEED COFFEE MUGS, NOT TEA CUPS.

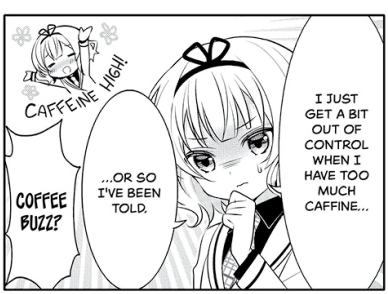
HOW DO YOU LIKE THIS TEA CUP?
THE SHAPE HELPS SPREAD THE FRAGRANCE.
THERE ARE SO MANY DIFFERENT KINDS OF TEA CUPS AND COFFEE MUGS.

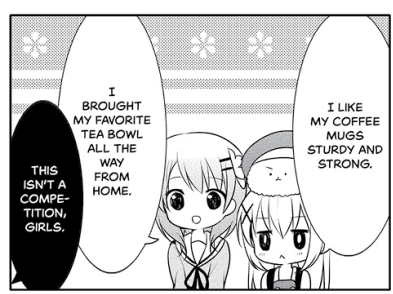

DO YOU NOT LIKE COFFEE?
Uhhh...
I REALLY WANTED TO SEE WHERE YOU WORK...

THIS ONE HAS A DIFFERENT TEXTURE ON THE HANDLE.
OH, WOW!

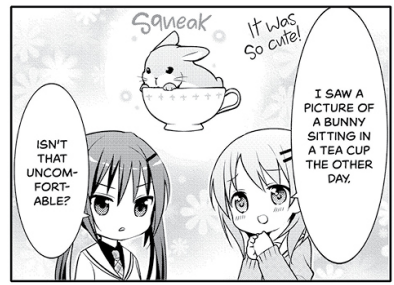
IT'S REALLY DELICIOUS WITH LOTS OF SUGAR AND MILK.
I CAN HANDLE THE BITTERNESS JUST FINE!

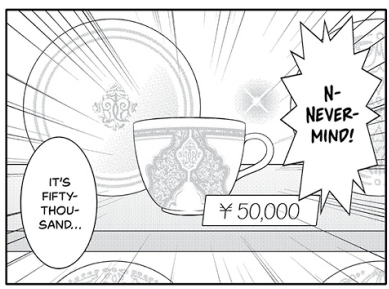
YOU KNOW A LOT ABOUT CUPS.
YOU CAN ONLY ENJOY THE BEST TEA FROM THE BEST TEA CUPS.


I JUST GET A BIT OUT OF CONTROL WHEN I HAVE TOO MUCH CAFFINE...
...OR SO I'VE BEEN TOLD.
COFFEE BUZZ?
CAFFEINE HIGH!


I LIKE MY COFFEE MUGS STURDY AND STRONG.
I BROUGHT MY FAVORITE TEA BOWL ALL THE WAY FROM HOME.
THIS ISN'T A COMPETITION, GIRLS.

HOW ABOUT WE GET IT FOR THE—
AH! THIS CUP LOOKS SO FANCY!


Squeak
It was so cute!
ISN'T THAT UNCOM-FORT-ABLE?
I SAW A PICTURE OF A BUNNY SITTING IN A TEA CUP THE OTHER DAY.


IT'S FIFTY-THOU-SAND...
N-NEVER-MIND!
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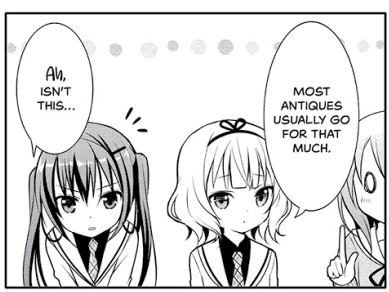
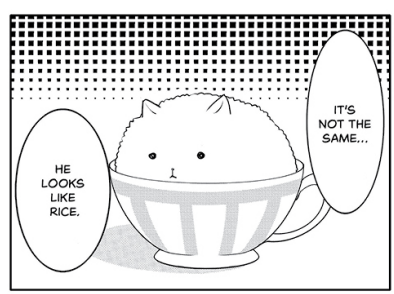
THERE AREN'T ANY TEA CUPS THAT BIG.
WE'D GET A LOT OF CUSTOMERS IF WE PUT TIPPY IN A TEA CUP!

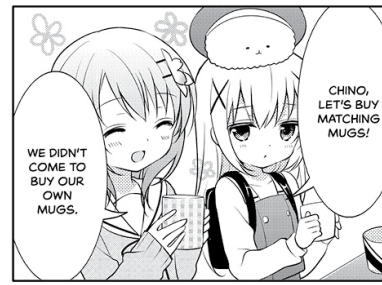

AH, ISN'T THIS...
MOST ANTIQUES USUALLY GO FOR THAT MUCH.

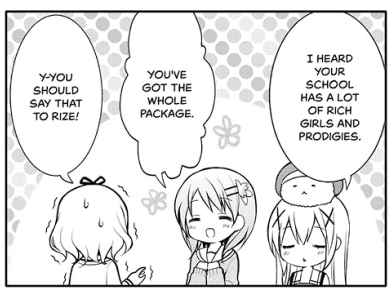
It's heavy...
HERE'S ONE.
THERE IS ONE?!
Shake
Shake

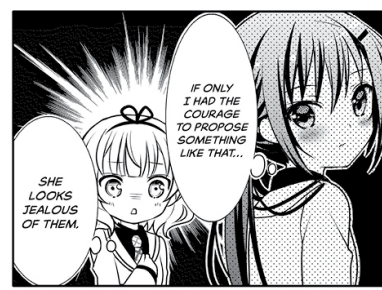
Ah, I was about to throw this away. Would you like to have it, milady?
?!
...THE SAME CUP I USED FOR TARGET PRACTICE WHEN I WAS LITTLE?


IT'S NOT THE SAME...
HE LOOKS LIKE RICE.

YOU KNOW A LOT ABOUT EXPENSIVE CUPS, SYARO! YOU'RE LIKE A RICH LADY.
R-RICH?!


CHINO, LET'S BUY MATCHING MUGS!
WE DIDN'T COME TO BUY OUR OWN MUGS.


I HEARD YOUR SCHOOL HAS A LOT OF RICH GIRLS AND PRODIGIES.
YOU'VE GOT THE WHOLE PACKAGE.
Y-YOU SHOULD SAY THAT TO RIZE!


IF ONLY I HAD THE COURAGE TO PROPOSE SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
SHE LOOKS JEALOUS OF THEM.

I BET THIS IS JUST A KNICK-KNACK TO YOU.
TO ME?!
N-NO, THAT'S—!

Th-These mugs come in two different colors! Aren't they cute?
We could each have one!

I WILL TREAT IT AS MY FAMILY'S MOST VALUABLE HEIR-LOOM!
AH, THAT'S THE STAND-ARD RICH-GIRL POSE.
FWOO
DOSHI

Ah, I LIKE THEM. THEY'RE CUTE.
NGH! N-NOW THAT I TAKE A LOOK AT IT, THESE ARE FOR COUPLES!
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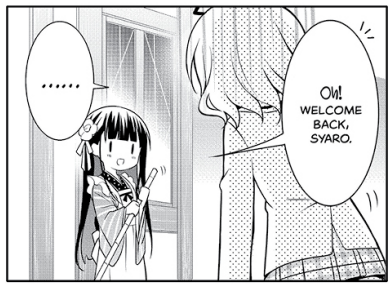
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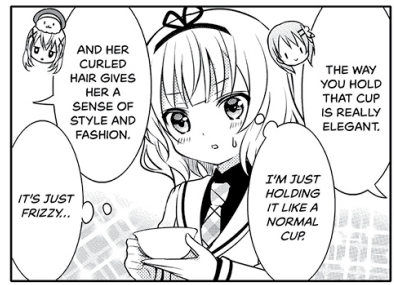
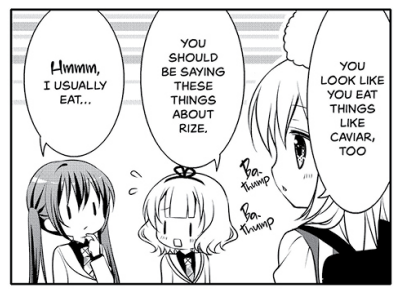
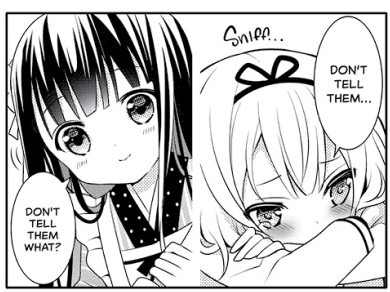
Oh! WELCOME BACK, SYARO.

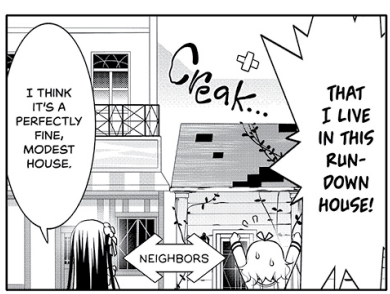

THE WAY YOU HOLD THAT CUP IS REALLY ELEGANT.
I'M JUST HOLDING IT LIKE A NORMAL CUP.
AND HER CURLED HAIR GIVES HER A SENSE OF STYLE AND FASHION.
IT'S JUST FRIZZY...

RIZE HAS THE WRONG IDEA ABOUT ME NOW...
And there was a girl with a weird thing on her head.
Oh, YOU MUST'VE MET COCOA AND CHINO.


YOU LOOK LIKE YOU EAT THINGS LIKE CAVIAR, TOO
YOU SHOULD BE SAYING THESE THINGS ABOUT RIZE.
Hmmm, I USUALLY EAT...
Ba-thump
Ba-thump


DON'T TELL THEM...
Snirr...
DON'T TELL THEM WHAT?

...JUNK FOOD, I GUESS. AH, AND SAMPLE RATIONS!
ration
I LOVE THINGS YOU CAN EAT ON THE SPOT!


THAT I LIVE IN THIS RUN-DOWN HOUSE!
Creak...
I THINK IT'S A PERFECTLY FINE, MODEST HOUSE.
NEIGHBORS

RIGHT? THINGS LIKE RAW EGGS ON RICE ARE THE BEST!
SHINE
"RAW EGGS" MUST BE WHAT SHE CALLS "CAVIAR"!

CAN I GET ONE?
Ummm, SURE.

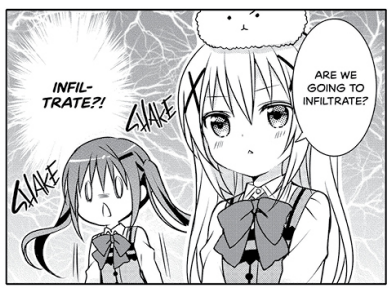
HAVE FUN AT WORK!
YOU TOO.

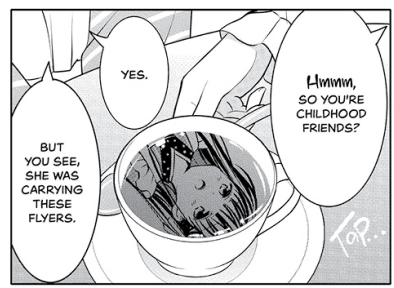
W-WAIT, THIS IS—!

WHAT'RE YOU DOING TODAY?
HANDING OUT FLYERS FOR THE PLACE I WORK AT.

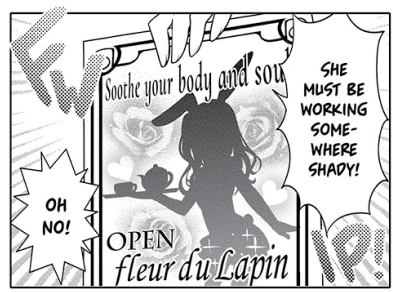
LET'S GO AND SEE HER AFTER WORK.
WE HAVE TO SAVE HER...

NEXT DAY
WHAT?!
SLAM!
EVERY-ONE! SYARO IS IN DANGER!

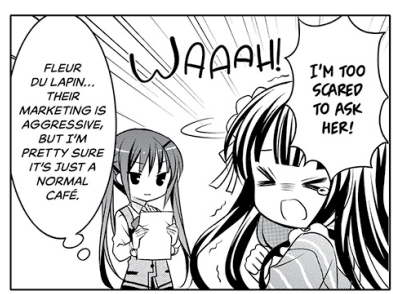

INFIL-TRATE?!
SHAKE
SHAKE
ARE WE GOING TO INFILTRATE?

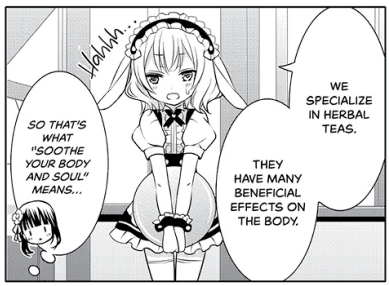

YES.
BUT YOU SEE, SHE WAS CARRYING THESE FLYERS.
Hmmm, SO YOU'RE CHILDHOOD FRIENDS?

DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE AN INFIL-TRATION!
DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BECOME A GHOST?!
PROB-ABLY.

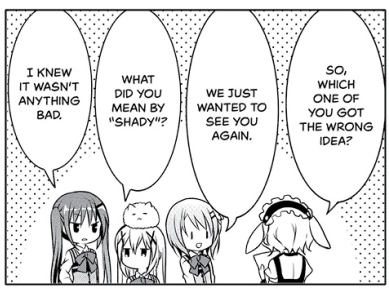

Soothe your body and sou
OPEN
fleur du Lapin
OH NO!
SHE MUST BE WORKING SOME-WHERE SHADY!

WHERE ARE WE GOING TO INFILTRATE?
YES, SIR!
FOLLOW ME!

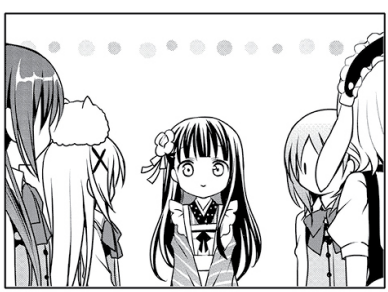

FLEUR DU LAPIN... THEIR MARKETING IS AGGRESSIVE, BUT I'M PRETTY SURE IT'S JUST A NORMAL CAFÉ.
WAAAH!
I'M TOO SCARED TO ASK HER!


Hahhh...
WE SPECIALIZE IN HERBAL TEAS.
THEY HAVE MANY BENEFICIAL EFFECTS ON THE BODY.
SO THAT'S WHAT "SOOTHE YOUR BODY AND SOUL" MEANS...

Peek
Heure du Lapin
THIS SHOULD BE IT.
Peek


SO, WHICH ONE OF YOU GOT THE WRONG IDEA?
WE JUST WANTED TO SEE YOU AGAIN.
WHAT DID YOU MEAN BY "SHADY"?
I KNEW IT WASN'T ANYTHING BAD.

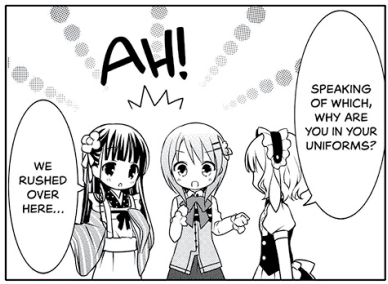
Listen.
WE'RE GOING TO CAREFULLY PEEK IN.
ONE, TWO—



WEL-COME!

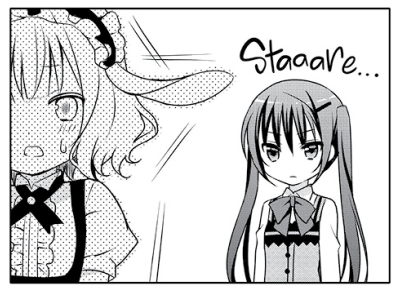
I LOVE YOUR UNIFORM!
SO IT WAS YOU!
Clench

WHY'RE YOU HERE?!


AH!
SPEAKING OF WHICH, WHY ARE YOU IN YOUR UNIFORMS?
WE RUSHED OVER HERE...

YOU LOOK SO CUTE, SYARO! THE RABBIT EARS LOOK GREAT ON YOU!
D-DON'T STARE SO MUCH...
THE OWNER IS INTO IT.

EXCUSE ME! I'D LIKE TO ORDER!


Staaare...

AH, ME TOO!

Staaare...
I CAN FEEL HER CON-TEMPT ON MY SKIN!
I DIDN'T WANT RIZE OF ALL PEOPLE TO SEE ME LIKE THIS!
WAAAA!!

DON'T MISLEAD OUR CUSTOM-ERS!
Step Step
I'LL BE RIGHT WITH YOU!
Step Step

LOP EARS COULD BE NICE.
※ Lop Ears

THAT MIGHT BE EASIER FOR YOU.
I'LL PICK THE TEA THAT SUITS YOU THE BEST.
Menu

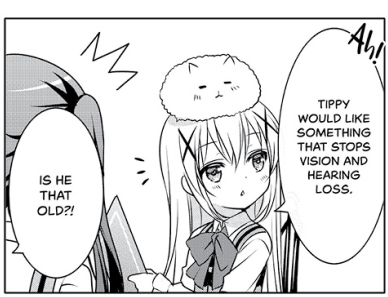
I DON'T SEE WHY NOT.
SINCE WE'RE HERE, CAN WE HAVE SOME TEA?

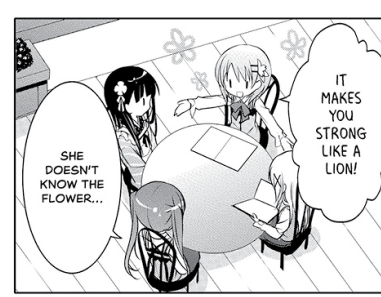
ROSEMARY IS GREAT FOR HELPING WITH STIFF MUSCLES, CHIYA.
Thank you!
I'd prefer if you were a bit looser.
Wow!
I'D RECOMMEND LINDEN FLOWER FOR YOU, COCOA. IT HELPS YOU RELAX.

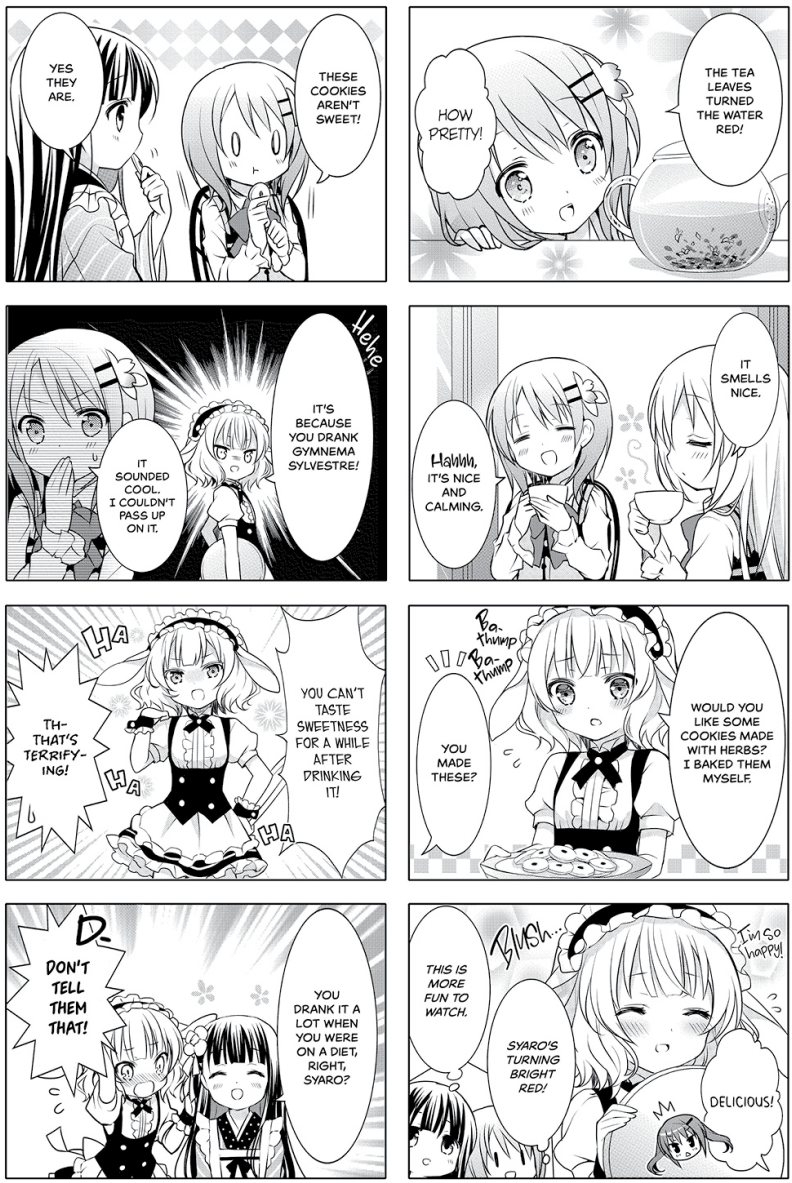
I COULD PICK SOME-THING AT RANDOM ...
I DON'T KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ALL THESE HERBAL TEAS.

RIZE, I REMEMBER THAT YOU'VE BEEN HAVING TROUBLE SLEEPING LATELY.
Huh...
I'm not a child.
LAVENDER TEA SHOULD HELP WITH THAT!
CHINO, WOULD YOU LIKE A LIGHT, SWEET-SMELLING CHAMOMILE TEA?

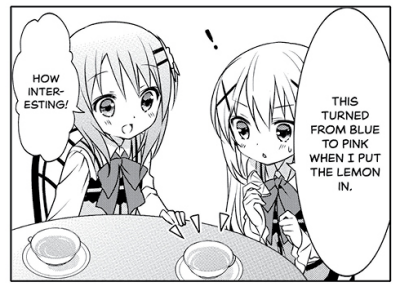
HAVE YOU HAD IT BEFORE?
DANDELION IS THE WAY TO GO!


IS HE THAT OLD?!
Ah!
TIPPY WOULD LIKE SOMETHING THAT STOPS VISION AND HEARING LOSS.

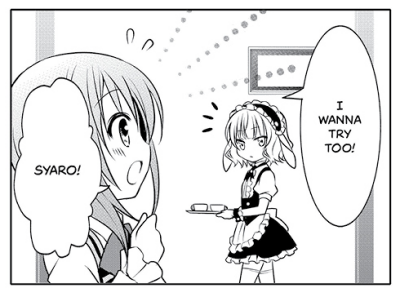

SHE DOESN'T KNOW THE FLOWER...
IT MAKES YOU STRONG LIKE A LION!

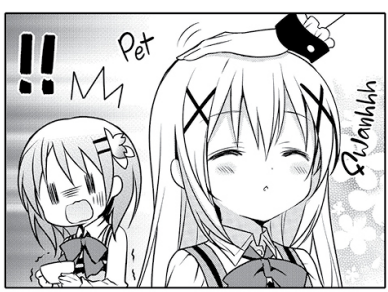

THESE COOKIES AREN'T SWEET!
YES THEY ARE.
THE TEA LEAVES TURNED THE WATER RED!
HOW PRETTY!
Hehe
IT'S BECAUSE YOU DRANK GYMNEMA SYLVESTRE!
IT SOUNDED COOL. I COULDN'T PASS UP ON IT.
IT SMELLS NICE.
Hawwn, IT'S NICE AND CALMING.
YOU CAN'T TASTE SWEETNESS FOR A WHILE AFTER DRINKING IT!
HA
HA
HA
TH-THAT'S TERRIFY-ING!
Ba-thump
Ba-thump
WOULD YOU LIKE SOME COOKIES MADE WITH HERBS? I BAKED THEM MYSELF.
YOU MADE THESE?
YOU DRANK IT A LOT WHEN YOU WERE ON A DIET, RIGHT, SYARO?
D-
DON'T TELL THEM THAT!
BUSH...
I'm so happy!
THIS IS MORE FUN TO WATCH.
SYARO'S TURNING BRIGHT RED!
DELICIOUS!

THANK YOU!
LET ME KNOW IF I CAN HELP YOU WITH ANYTHING.


HOW INTER-ESTING!
THIS TURNED FROM BLUE TO PINK WHEN I PUT THE LEMON IN.

I WISH YOU WERE MY LITTLE SISTER.
YOU'RE YOUNGER THAN ME, BUT YOU'RE SO RELIABLE.
Cuddle


SYARO!
I WANNA TRY TOO!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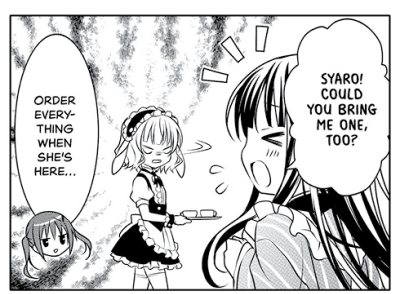
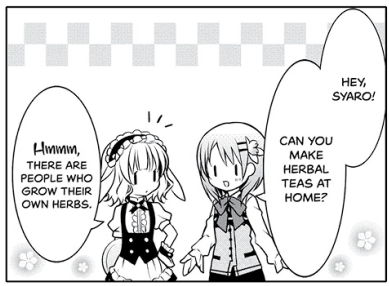
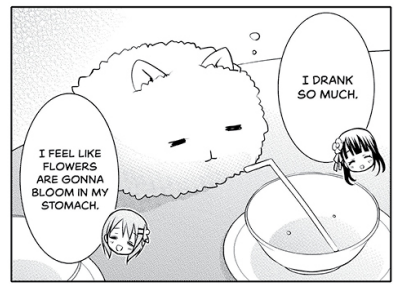
Pet
uhhhnn

Ah! I MISSED IT!
THIS IS SO INTERESTING! LOOK, CHIYA!

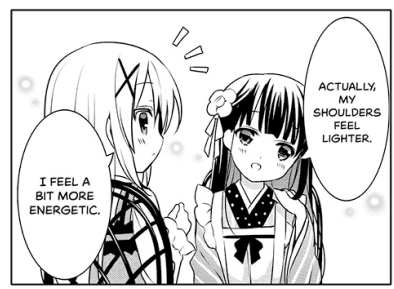
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
CHINO IS MY SISTER!


ORDER EVERY-THING WHEN SHE'S HERE...
SYARO! COULD YOU BRING ME ONE, TOO?


HEY, SYARO!
CAN YOU MAKE HERBAL TEAS AT HOME?
Hmmm, THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO GROW THEIR OWN HERBS.


I DRANK SO MUCH.
I FEEL LIKE FLOWERS ARE GONNA BLOOM IN MY STOMACH.

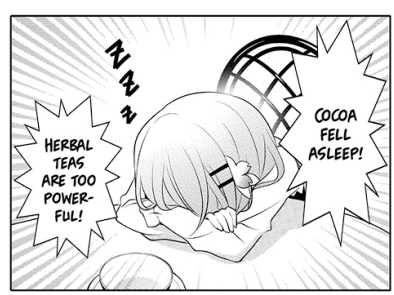
A FEW DAYS LATER
GIRLS! LET'S MAKE HERBAL TEA!


ACTUALLY, MY SHOULDERS FEEL LIGHTER.
I FEEL A BIT MORE ENERGETIC.

DO YOU THINK THESE WILL WORK?
COCOA...

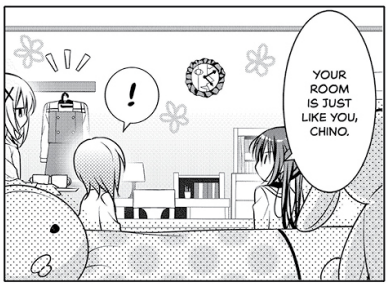
I FEEL MORE RELAXED, BUT...
PROBABLY JUST PLACEBO.

THOSE ARE WEEDS.


COCOA FELL ASLEEP!
HERBAL TEAS ARE TOO POWERFUL!

IT WAS STILL SUNNY WHEN WE GOT HERE THOUGH...
I THINK SOMEONE MIGHT BE A BAD LUCK MAGNET.
WE DON'T HAVE MANY CUSTOMERS TODAY BECAUSE OF THE RAIN.
HUH?!
OR MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE SOMETHING UNUSUAL HAPPENED, LIKE YOU COMING OVER TO VISIT!
I JUST GOT OFF WORK ANYWAY.
THANK YOU FOR COMING OVER EVEN IN THIS WEATHER!

THE RAIN'S GOTTEN HEAVIER.
SO HAS THE WIND.
YOU DON'T DO WELL WITH COFFEE... ARE YOU GOING TO BE ALL RIGHT?
I SHOULD BE ABLE TO HANDLE A LITTLE BIT.
I WOULD NEVER TURN DOWN A CUP OF COFFEE FROM YOU.
I'LL CALL A RIDE AND TAKE YOU HOME.
She can't see my house!
IT'S OKAY! I'LL TAKE HER HOME.
THREE MINUTES LATER
Everyone! Thank you for playing with me today!
Syaro got drunk on caffeine!
THANK YOU FOR HAVING US.
W-WAIT...
COME OVER ANY TIME YOU WANT.
Can I? Yaaay, yaaay, I will!
Gyaaaaaa!
CHIYA ?!
Awanhhh!
IT'S LIKE THERE ARE TWO COCOAS...
You're so very cuddly, Chino!


YOUR ROOM IS JUST LIKE YOU, CHINO.
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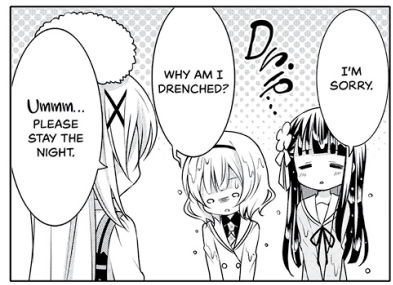
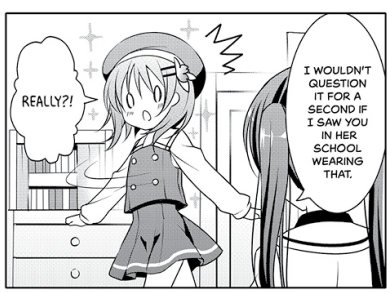
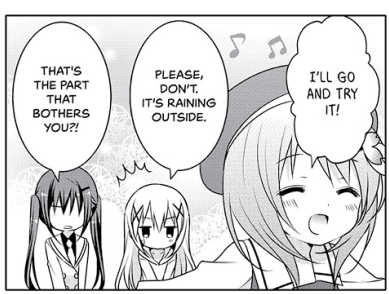

I'M SORRY.
Drip...
WHY AM I DRENCHED?
Ummm... PLEASE STAY THE NIGHT.

TA-DAH! I PUT ON CHINO'S UNIFORM!

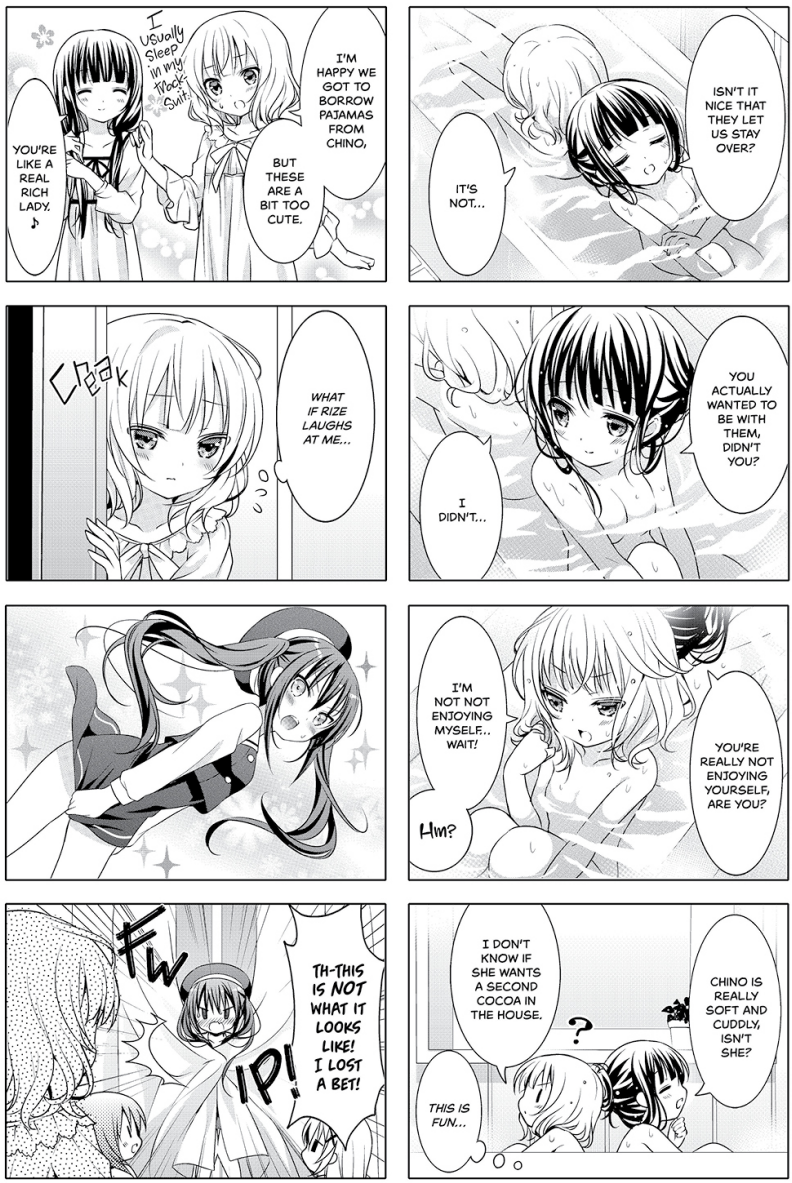
YOU CAN USE THE BATH FIRST.
THANK YOU!

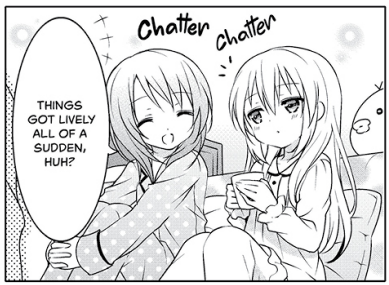

I WOULDN'T QUESTION IT FOR A SECOND IF I SAW YOU IN HER SCHOOL WEARING THAT.
REALLY?!

ARE YOU SURE IT'S OKAY IF I STAY OVER TOO?
I DON'T MIND.
RIZE'S NERVOUS!

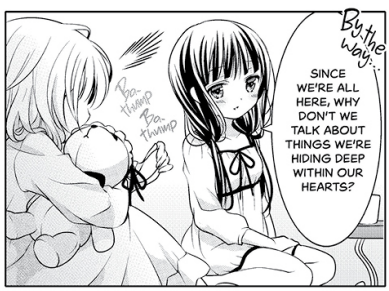

I'LL GO AND TRY IT!
PLEASE, DON'T. IT'S RAINING OUTSIDE.
THAT'S THE PART THAT BOTHERS YOU?!

IT'S JUST THAT I'VE... EVER STAYED OVERNIGHT IN THE WILD...
No...
THIS IS A FIRST FOR ME.
IN THE WILD?

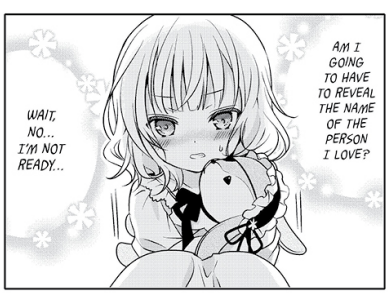

I usually sleep in my track suit.
I'M HAPPY WE GOT TO BORROW PAJAMAS FROM CHINO,
BUT THESE ARE A BIT TOO CUTE.
YOU'RE LIKE A REAL RICH LADY. ♪
ISN'T IT NICE THAT THEY LET US STAY OVER?
IT'S NOT...
Creak
WHAT IF RIZE LAUGHS AT ME...
YOU ACTUALLY WANTED TO BE WITH THEM, DIDN'T YOU?
I DIDN'T...
I'M NOT NOT ENJOYING MYSELF.. WAIT!
Hm?
YOU'RE REALLY NOT ENJOYING YOURSELF, ARE YOU?
Fw
IP!
TH-THIS IS NOT WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE! I LOST A BET!
I DON'T KNOW IF SHE WANTS A SECOND COCOA IN THE HOUSE.
?
CHINO IS REALLY SOFT AND CUDDLY, ISN'T SHE?
THIS IS FUN...


Chatter
chatter
THINGS GOT LIVELY ALL OF A SUDDEN, HUH?

Yes
ARE YOU OKAY WITH TAKING A BATH LAST?
I CAN TAKE MY TIME AND RELAX.


By the way...
SINCE WE'RE ALL HERE, WHY DON'T WE TALK ABOUT THINGS WE'RE HIDING DEEP WITHIN OUR HEARTS?
Ba-thump Ba-thump

Hahaha!
AW! YOU KINDA SMELL LIKE COCOA!
WHAT DO I SMELL LIKE?
I MEANT THE DRINK!


AM I GOING TO HAVE TO REVEAL THE NAME OF THE PERSON I LOVE?
WAIT, NO... I'M NOT READY...

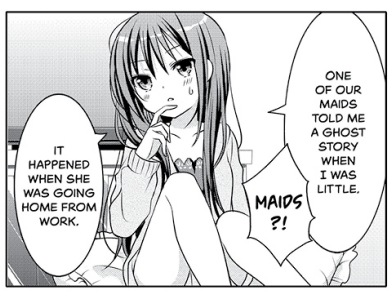
IT'S BATH POWDER!
Ka-
Cocoa
NOT FOR DRINKING
DAH!
THIS WILL MAKE YOU SMELL SWEET TOO!
THAT'S NOT NECESSARY...

Hahhhhh...♡
LIKE OUR BEST GHOST STORIES. ♪
DON'T SAY THAT WHILE YOU'RE BLUSHING SO HARD!

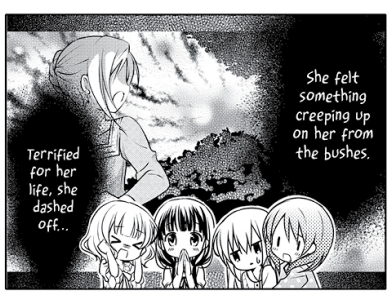
Hahhh...
.....
I HATE TO ADMIT IT, BUT THIS FEELS REALLY NICE...

Tap!
YOU'RE UP NEXT, RIZE.
THAT WAS IT?!

OUR CAFÉ HAS A GHOST STORY.
IT DOES?!


ONE OF OUR MAIDS TOLD ME A GHOST STORY WHEN I WAS LITTLE.
MAIDS ?!
IT HAPPENED WHEN SHE WAS GOING HOME FROM WORK.

I KNOW YOU TWO WORK HERE.
GULP...
BUT CALM DOWN AND LISTEN.


She felt something creeping up on her from the bushes.
Terrified for her life, she dashed off...

When night falls, and the café closes down...
Many claim to have seen an unknown white entity wandering the halls of this house.

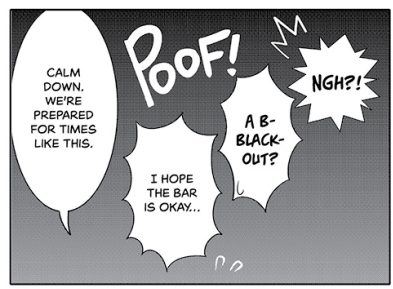
She noticed me!
LITTLE DID SHE KNOW THAT IT WAS ME LEARNING HOW TO TRAIL TARGETS!
DON'T RUIN THE MYSTERY!

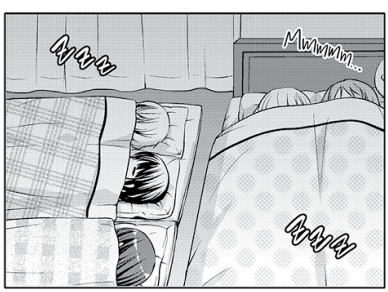
Mwhaha...
Mwhahaha!
SHE'S TRYING HER DARNDEST TO SCARE US, BUT...
I DON'T WANT TO BURST HER BUBBLE ...

Shake...
WE SHOULD GO TO SLEEP.
W-WE'RE DEFINITELY GOING TO BE HAUNTED ...

LIGHTNING?!
CRACK!
I HAVE A SPECIAL STORY THAT I'VE BEEN SAVING.
IT'S THE TRUE TALE OF RABBIT THE RIPPER.

Hehehe, I'M HAVING SO MUCH FUN.
IT'LL BE HARD TO FALL ASLEEP.
YOU SHOULD TRY TO SLEEP OR YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO GET UP IN THE MORNING.

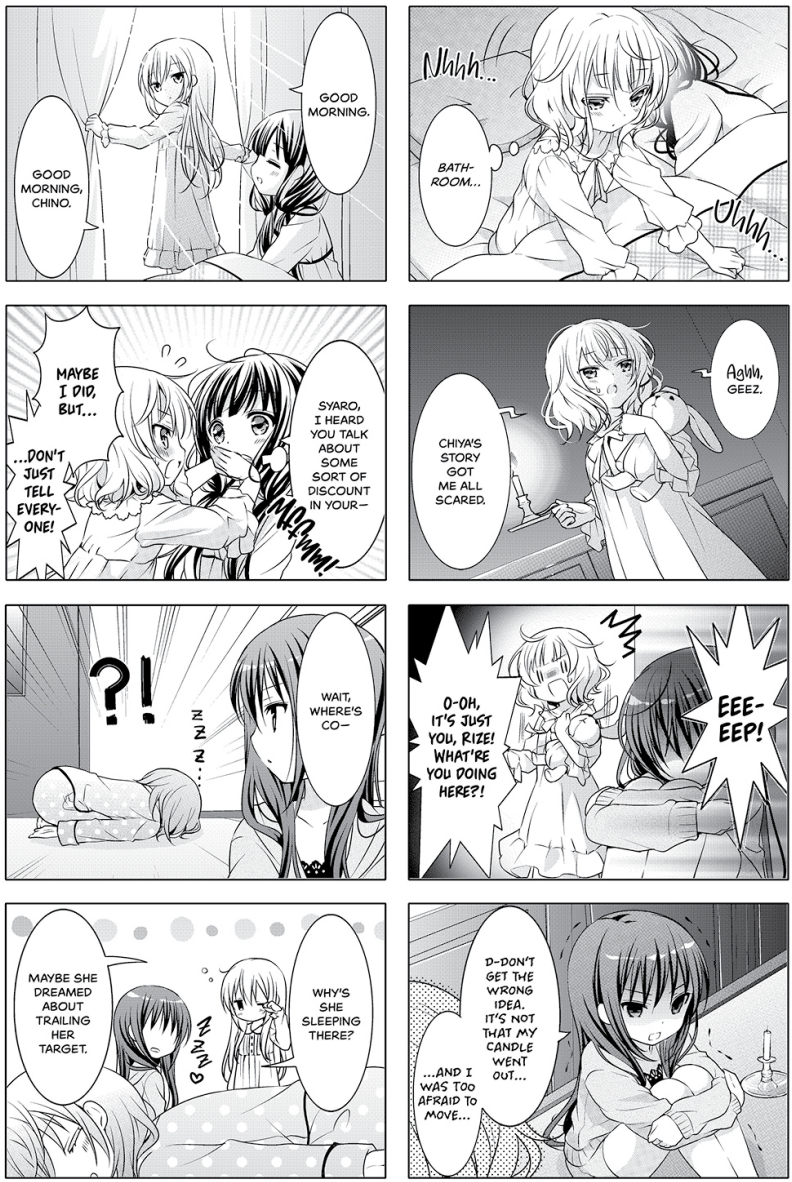

POOF!
NGH?!
A B-BLACK-OUT?
CALM DOWN. WE'RE PREPARED FOR TIMES LIKE THIS.
I HOPE THE BAR IS OKAY...

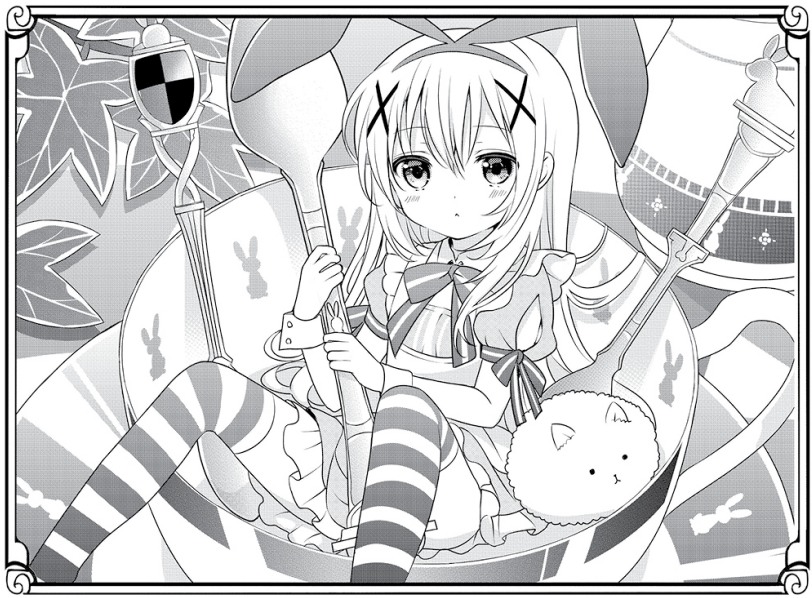

Mummm...

Light...

A-AM I THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN'T FALL ASLEEP?!

DID IT HAVE TO BE A CANDLE, OF ALL THINGS?! WHY DON'T YOU HAVE A FLASH-LIGHT?!
THIS IS GOING TO BE FUN...


GOOD MORNING.
GOOD MORNING, CHINO.
Nhhh...
BATH-ROOM...
Uhhh...
SYARO, I HEARD YOU TALK ABOUT SOME SORT OF DISCOUNT IN YOUR—
MAYBE I DID, BUT...
...DON'T JUST TELL EVERY-ONE!
Agh, GEEZ.
CHIYA'S STORY GOT ME ALL SCARED.
WAIT, WHERE'S CO—
?!
Nn nn...
EEE-EEP!
O-OH, IT'S JUST YOU, RIZE! WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?!
WHY'S SHE SLEEPING THERE?
MAYBE SHE DREAMED ABOUT TRAILING HER TARGET.
Nnnn
D-DON'T GET THE WRONG IDEA. IT'S NOT THAT MY CANDLE WENT OUT...
...AND I WAS TOO AFRAID TO MOVE...



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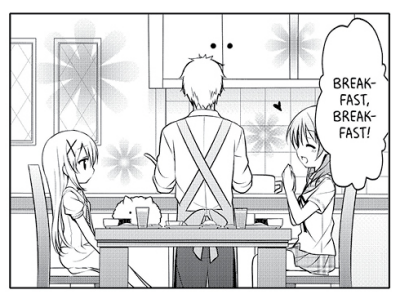
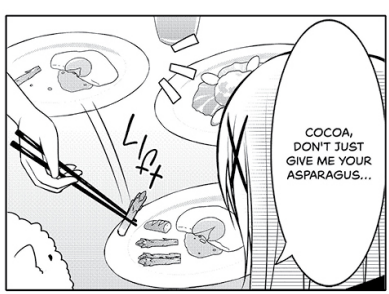
Rush


BREAK-FAST, BREAK-FAST!


COCOA, DON'T JUST GIVE ME YOUR ASPARAGUS...
Lift

Ah, CHINO! YOU SHOULDN'T BE PICKY!
COME ON, EAT YOUR ASPARGUS.
Lift

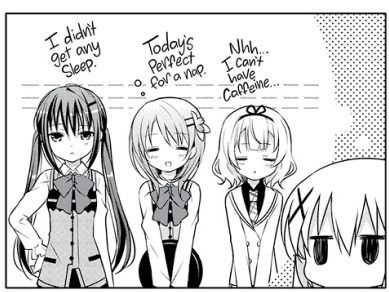
MORNING, CHINO!
IT SURE IS WARM TODAY, HUH?
YOU'RE MUCH PICKIER THAN I AM, CHINO.
YOU HAVE TO EAT YOUR VEGGIES IF YOU WANNA GET TALLER.
Staaare
WHAT'S UP?
DON'T WORRY. I'LL BE TALLER THAN YOU BY THE TIME I'M YOUR AGE.
WHY'RE YOU SO SURE ABOUT THAT?!
Shorter than me.
About the same height.
BUT YOU ALWAYS CARRY TIPPY ON YOUR HEAD.
Hahhh...
THAT'S SO CUTE!
DID YOU MISS US THAT MUCH OVER BREAK?
WEIGHT
CAN YOU GROW LIKE THAT?

I KNOW SOMEONE WHO SLEEPS A LOT.
MY PARENTS ALWAYS TELL ME THAT I'M GONNA BE SMALL FOREVER IF I STAY UP TOO LATE.

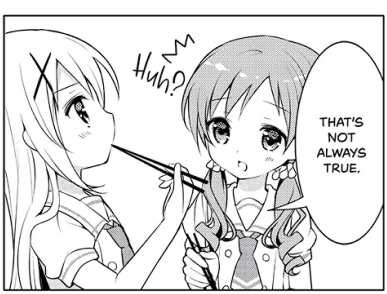
Ding-Dong♪
LET'S EAT!
WE'RE FREE!

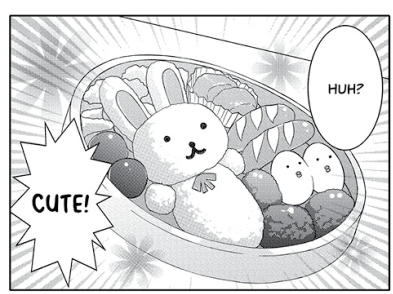
I GUESS IT'S TRUE THAT YOU GET TALLER IF YOU SLEEP WELL.
I REMEMBER THERE'S THIS PRETTY GIRL WORKING AT YOUR CAFÉ.

HE'S SO COOL AND ELEGANT!
WE SAW YOUR DAD AT THE SUPERMARKET YESTERDAY!


I didn't get any sleep.
Today's perfect for a nap.
Nnh... I can't have caffeine...

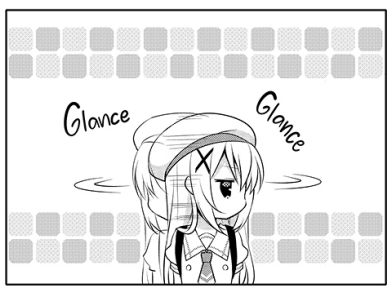
IF HE MADE IT WITH THE INGREDIENTS HE BOUGHT YESTERDAY, THEN...
I BET HE PACKED YOU A LUXURY THREE-COURSE MEAL


Huh?
THAT'S NOT ALWAYS TRUE.


HUH?
CUTE!

...
I HEARD JUMPING CAN HELP YOU GROW.

I THINK COCOA OFFERED TO MAKE STEW FOR TONIGHT...

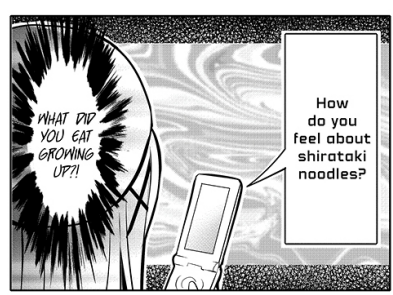

Glance
Glance

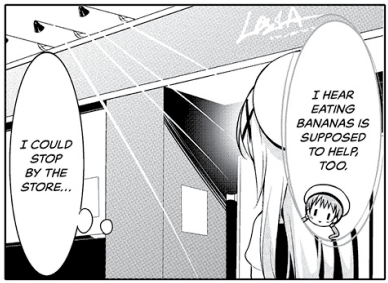
What exactly do you need for a beef stew?
THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE STUCK?!

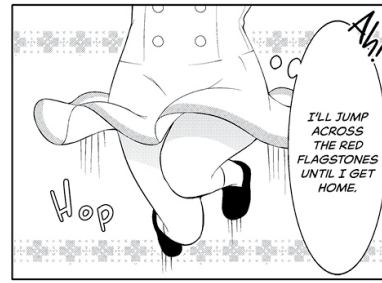
Skip!

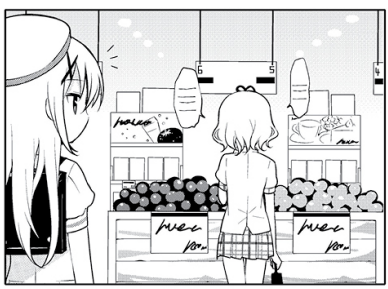
See you tomorrow!
Bye-bye!
LET'S NOT TELL HER ABOUT CARROTS.

I WONDER IF SOMETHING GOOD HAPPENED.
How heart-warming!


How do you feel about shirataki noodles?
WHAT DID YOU EAT GROWING UP?!


I HEAR EATING BANANAS IS SUPPOSED TO HELP, TOO.
I COULD STOP BY THE STORE...


Ah!
I'LL JUMP ACROSS THE RED FLAGSTONES UNTIL I GET HOME.
Hop



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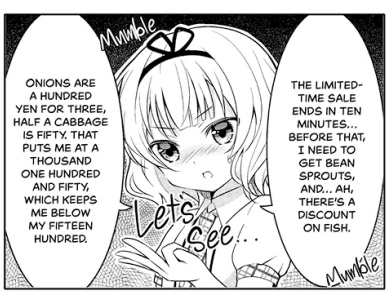
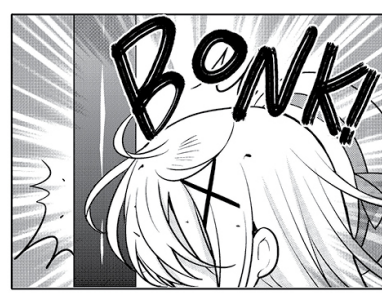
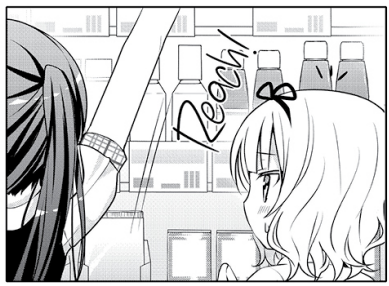
Hop
Hop

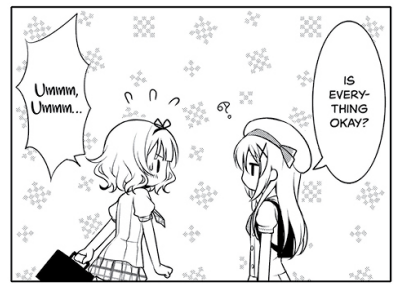

Mumble
ONIONS ARE A HUNDRED YEN FOR THREE, HALF A CABBAGE IS FIFTY. THAT PUTS ME AT A THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY, WHICH KEEPS ME BELOW MY FIFTEEN HUNDRED.
Let's See...
THE LIMITED-TIME SALE ENDS IN TEN MINUTES... BEFORE THAT, I NEED TO GET BEAN SPROUTS, AND... AH, THERE'S A DISCOUNT ON FISH.
Mumble


BONK!

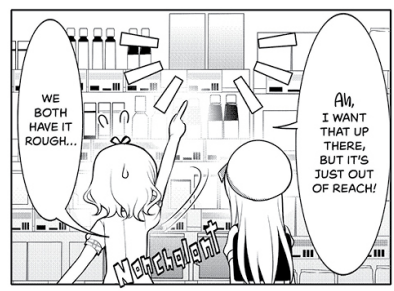
EHP
EVEN RICH LADIES LIKE YOU COME TO THE SUPER-MARKET?
MP!

THE HEAT MUST'VE GOTTEN TO HER...
THE HEAT MUST'VE —!
Hop, hop, bonk...
Uhhhh...

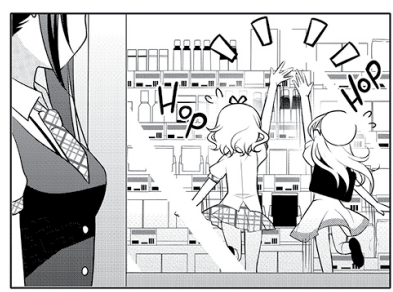

Reach!


Umm, Umm...
IS EVERYTHING OKAY?

HERE YOU GO.


WE BOTH HAVE IT ROUGH...
Ah, I WANT THAT UP THERE, BUT IT'S JUST OUT OF REACH!
Nonchalant

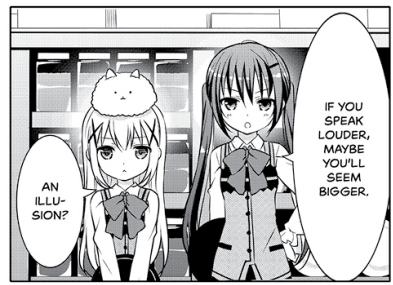
I SAW YOU TWO JUMPING IN FRONT OF THE SHELVES FROM OUTSIDE.
Oh, RIZE. WHAT A COINCIDENCE.


Hop
Hop

SOFT-SHELL TURTLE BROTH... THAT'S A PECULIAR CHOICE.
I'VE NEVER BEEN HAPPIER TO BE SHORT...

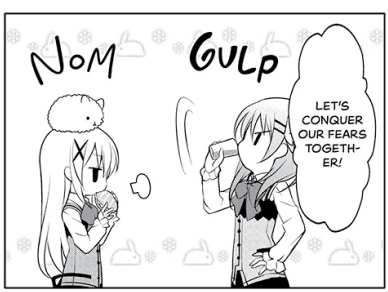
OH, IS THAT SOME NEW TRAINING METHOD?
Twinkle Twinkle

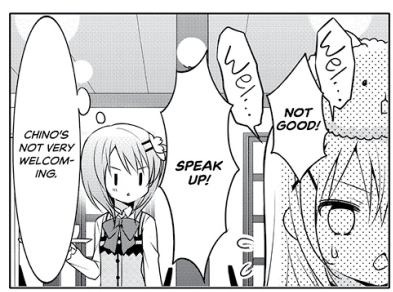
I MADE THIS CELERY SANDWICH ...
...JUST FOR YOU!

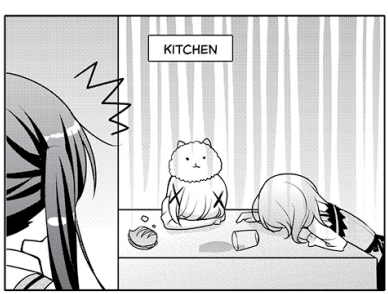

IF YOU SPEAK LOUDER, MAYBE YOU'LL SEEM BIGGER.
AN ILLU-SION?

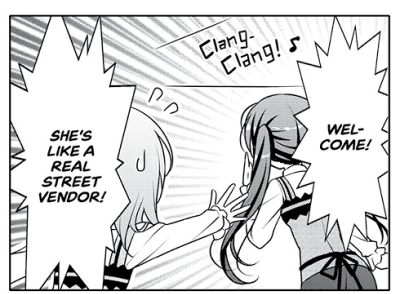
I BOUGHT THIS TOMATO JUICE...
...JUST FOR YOU!
TOMATO

COME ON, REPEAT AFTER ME.
WEL-COME!
Wel-come!
TOO QUIET!


NOM
GULP
LET'S CONQUER OUR FEARS TOGETH-ER!


Wel...
Wel...
NOT GOOD!
CHINO'S NOT VERY WELCOM-ING.
SPEAK UP!

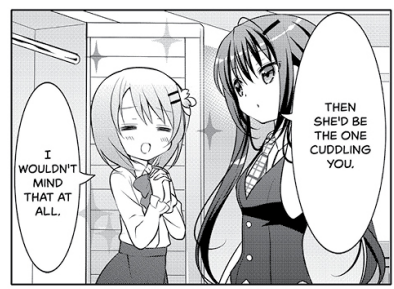

KITCHEN

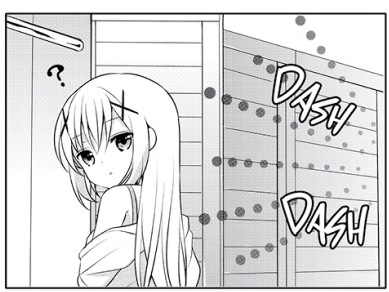

Clang-Clang!
WEL-COME!
SHE'S LIKE A REAL STREET VENDOR!

Ah, IT'S FROM CHIYA.

IT'D BE PRETTY FUNNY IF CHINO GREW TALLER THAN YOU, COCOA.

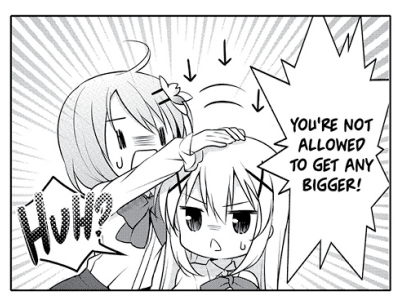
The heat got to Chino!
Make sure she eats and sleeps well!

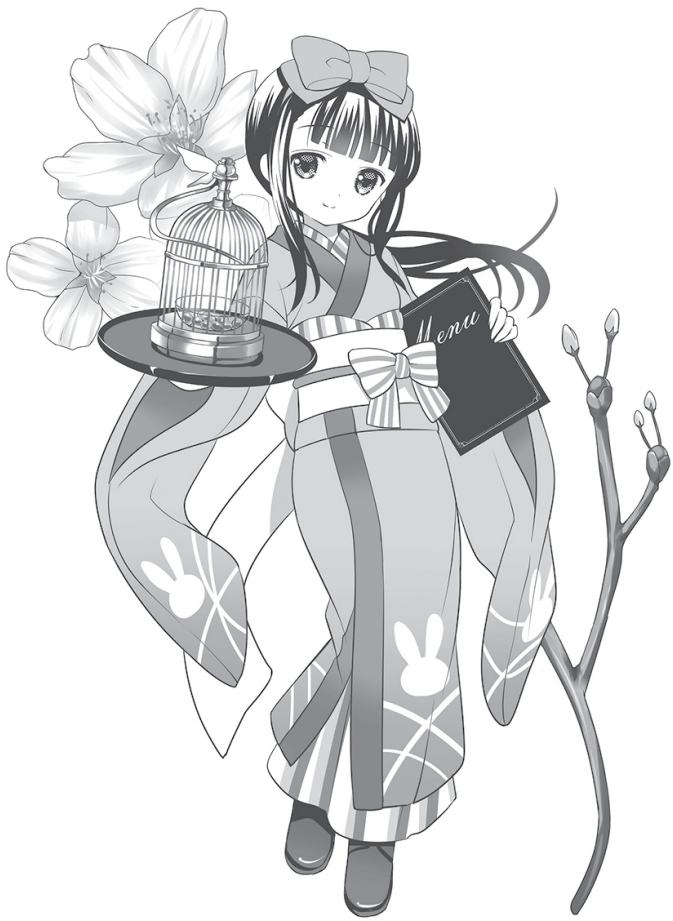

THEN SHE'D BE THE ONE CUDDLING YOU.
I WOULDN'T MIND THAT AT ALL.


DASH
DASH

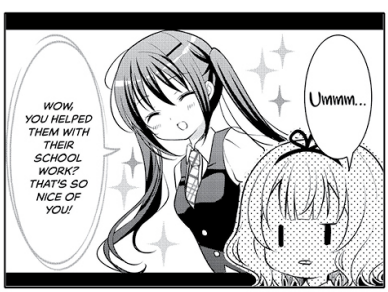
Oh, YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT. I DON'T DO HUGS.

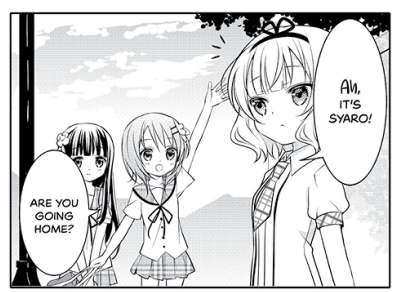
YOU MUST GET PLENTY OF NUTRIENTS AND SLEEP!
MAKE UP YOUR MIND!

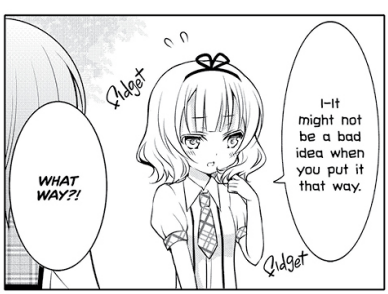

YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO GET ANY BIGGER!
HUH?


Menu

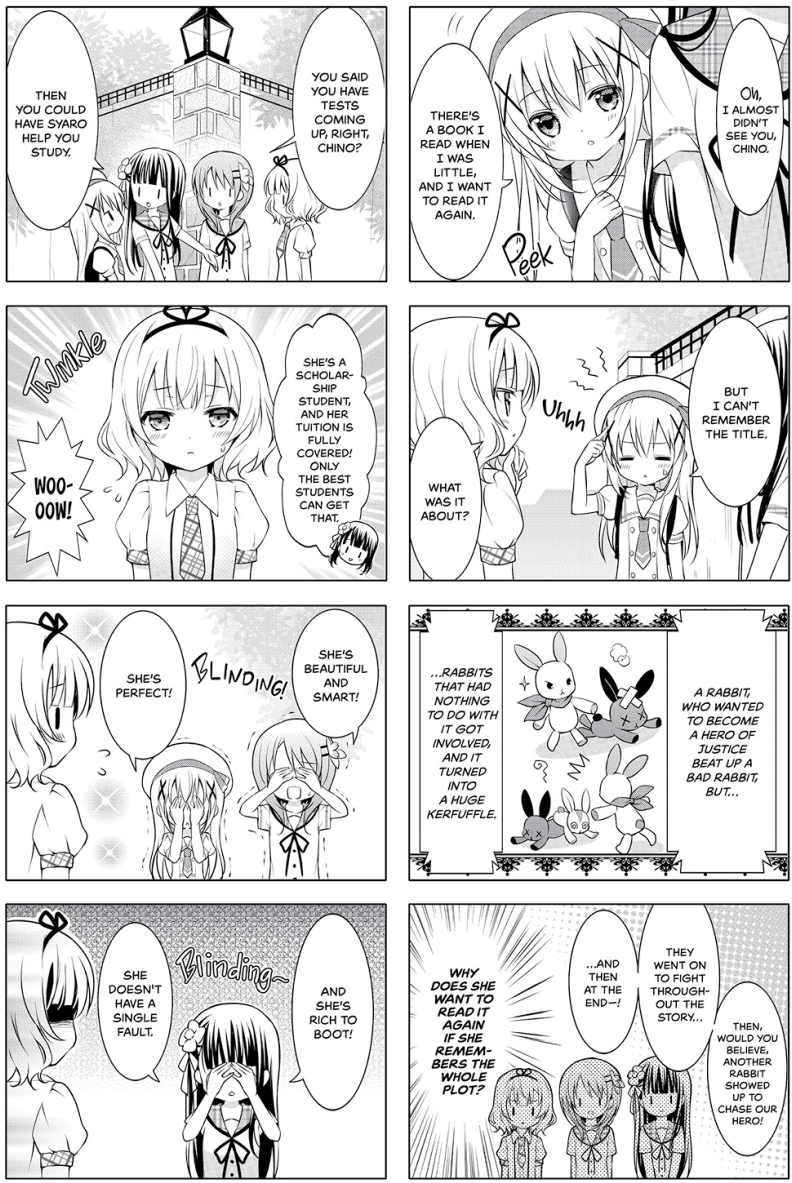
Is the order a rabbit?

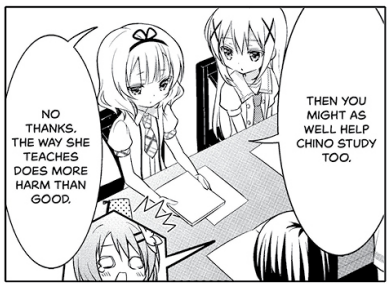

Ummm...
WOW, YOU HELPED THEM WITH THEIR SCHOOL WORK? THAT'S SO NICE OF YOU!


Ah, IT'S SYARO!
ARE YOU GOING HOME?


I-It might not be a bad idea when you put it that way.
Fidget
WHAT WAY?!
Fidget

I'M GOING TO THE LIBRARY TO RETURN A BOOK.
WE'RE GOING THERE TOO! WANNA STUDY WITH US?


YOU SAID YOU HAVE TESTS COMING UP, RIGHT, CHINO?
THEN YOU COULD HAVE SYARO HELP YOU STUDY.
Oh, I ALMOST DIDN'T SEE YOU, CHINO.
THERE'S A BOOK I READ WHEN I WAS LITTLE, AND I WANT TO READ IT AGAIN.
Peek
BUT I CAN'T REMEMBER THE TITLE.
Uhhh
WHAT WAS IT ABOUT?
SHE'S A SCHOLARSHIP STUDENT, AND HER TUITION IS FULLY COVERED! ONLY THE BEST STUDENTS CAN GET THAT.
Twinkle
WOO-OOW!
SHE'S BEAUTIFUL AND SMART!
BLINDING!
SHE'S PERFECT!
A RABBIT, WHO WANTED TO BECOME A HERO OF JUSTICE BEAT UP A BAD RABBIT, BUT...
...RABBITS THAT HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH IT GOT INVOLVED, AND IT TURNED INTO A HUGE KERFUFFLE.
AND SHE'S RICH TO BOOT!
Blinding~
SHE DOESN'T HAVE A SINGLE FAULT.
THEN, WOULD YOU BELIEVE, ANOTHER RABBIT SHOWED UP TO CHASE OUR HERO!
THEY WENT ON TO FIGHT THROUGHOUT THE STORY...
...AND THEN AT THE END—!
WHY DOES SHE WANT TO READ IT AGAIN IF SHE REMEMBERS THE WHOLE PLOT?


NO THANKS. THE WAY SHE TEACHES DOES MORE HARM THAN GOOD.
THEN YOU MIGHT AS WELL HELP CHINO STUDY TOO.

WOOOW! THIS LIBRARY IS SO BIG!

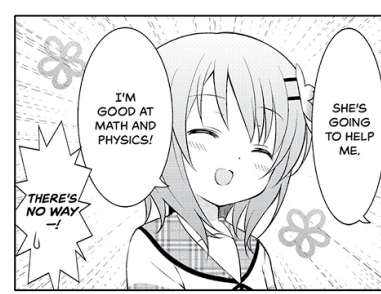
YOU TWO ARE JUST ON THE SAME WAVE-LENGTH.
REALLY? I THINK SHE'S VERY EASY TO UNDER-STAND.

I'M IN YOUR HANDS, COCOA.
IS THIS TABLE OKAY?

IS THERE A SUBJECT YOU'RE STRUGGLING WITH?
BUT IN GENERAL, MY OVERALL GRADES ARE BARELY ABOVE AVERAGE.
NOTE

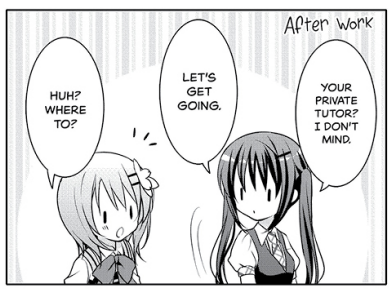
NO, NO.
HUH? I THOUGHT YOU WERE HELPING HER, CHIYA.

Flap!
SHE'S TERRI-BLE AT LIB-ERAL ARTS!
I READ A LOT OF BOOKS, BUT...
HISTORY


I'M GOOD AT MATH AND PHYSICS!
SHE'S GOING TO HELP ME.
THERE'S NO WAY—!

I'VE ASKED HER ABOUT IT BEFORE...
I WONDER IF RIZE WOULD HELP US STUDY IF WE ASKED HER TO.

YOU'RE SO EASY TO UNDER-STAND!
YOU SIMPLY PLUG IN THE ANSWER YOU GOT FROM THE LAST ONE...


After work
HUH? WHERE TO?
LET'S GET GOING.
YOUR PRIVATE TUTOR? I DON'T MIND.

IF I HAD A LITTLE SISTER LIKE YOU, I'D HELP HER STUDY EVERY DAY.
I'M SO GLAD!

TO DO STAMINA TRAINING SO YOU CAN SURVIVE ALL-NIGHTERS.

I WISH I HAD AN OLDER SISTER LIKE YOU.

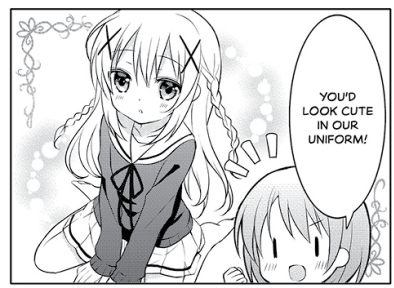
Zero Stamina
FREEZE
AH, SHE PUT HER PHONE AWAY.

BE QUIET IN THE LIBRARY.
I'M UN-WANT-ED!

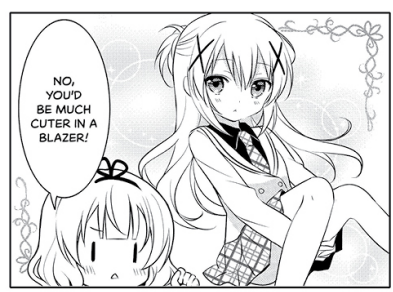
FUTURE, HUH?
...A BAKER OR A LAWYER!
I'D LIKE TO BE EITHER...
Y-YOU WOULD?

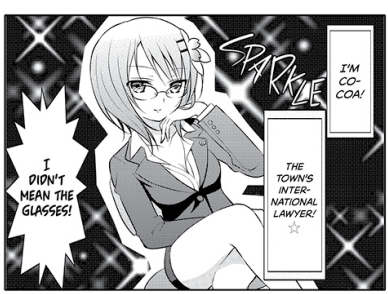
CHINO, WOULD YOU RATHER GO TO OUR HIGH SCHOOL...
...OR SYARO'S?

JUST IMAGINE!
I'M CO-COA!
THE TOWN'S INTER-NATIONAL LAWYER! ☆
THAT DOESN'T SOUND RIGHT.

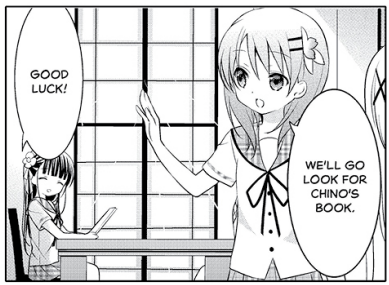

YOU'D LOOK CUTE IN OUR UNIFORM!

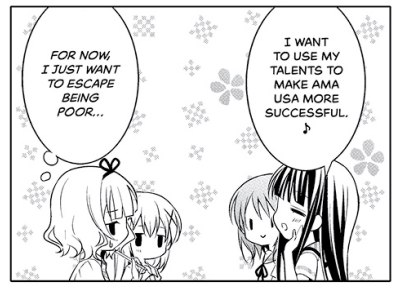
AH, I MESSED UP.
LET ME TRY AGAIN!


NO, YOU'D BE MUCH CUTER IN A BLAZER!

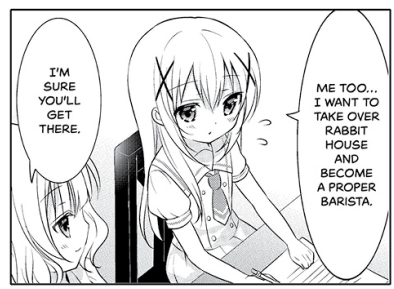

SPARKLE
I'M CO-COA!
THE TOWN'S INTER-NATIONAL LAWYER! ☆
I DIDN'T MEAN THE GLASSES!

I THINK YOU'D LOOK BEST IN A HAKAMA.
WHAT ERA ARE YOU IN?


GOOD LUCK!
WE'LL GO LOOK FOR CHINO'S BOOK.

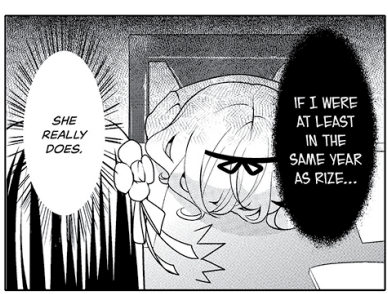

FOR NOW, I JUST WANT TO ESCAPE BEING POOR...
I WANT TO USE MY TALENTS TO MAKE AMA USA MORE SUCCESSFUL. ♪

...HAD I GONE TO THE SAME SCHOOL AS YOU?
WHAT WOULD MY LIFE BE NOW...
Hmmmm...

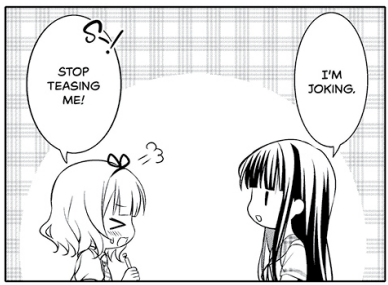

I'M SURE YOU'LL GET THERE.
ME TOO... I WANT TO TAKE OVER RABBIT HOUSE AND BECOME A PROPER BARISTA.

DO YOU REGRET CHOOSING THE SCHOOL YOU'RE IN?
...

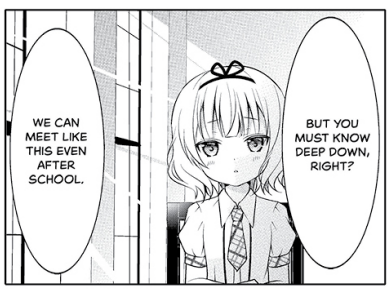
BARISTAS ARE COOL, TOO!
AH, I KNOW!


SHE REALLY DOES.
IF I WERE AT LEAST IN THE SAME YEAR AS RIZE...

CAN YOU DROP THE "TOWN'S INTERNATIONAL" PART?
I'LL BECOME THE TOWN'S INTERNATIONAL BARISTA LAWYER!
DETERMINED


I'M JOKING.
STOP TEASING ME!

HONESTLY, IT SEEMS BORING.
BEING IN AN ELITE SCHOOL JUST BECAUSE THEY COVER YOUR TUITION.


BUT YOU MUST KNOW DEEP DOWN, RIGHT?
WE CAN MEET LIKE THIS EVEN AFTER SCHOOL.

IT MUST BE EXHAUSTING TO ACT PROPER AROUND ALL THOSE RICH GIRLS ALL DAY.

WE'LL ALWAYS BE TOGETHER.
EVEN AFTER WE GROW UP.

Ah, BUT WAIT...
...HAD YOU COME TO MY SCHOOL...

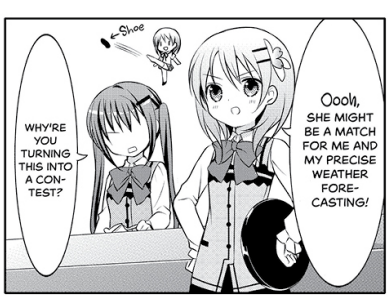
Mm-hmm...

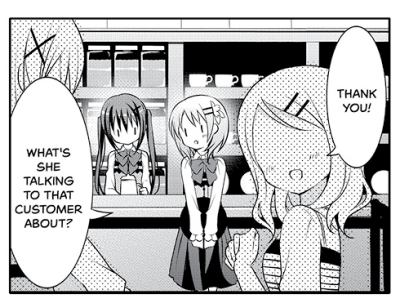
...ME AND COCOA MIGHT HAVE ENDED UP IN DIFFERENT CLASSES!
Because of the student numbers!
I DON'T WANT THAT!
GYAHH!

HERE IT IS!
GOOD JOB.
Justice... Evil...
Hmmm... GOING ON WHAT YOU TOLD ME...
IT'LL BE DIFFICULT TO FIND AMONG ALL THESE BOOKS.
Hehe-he...
DID I GET TO BE A RELIABLE BIG SISTER THIS TIME?
R-REALLY?!
Ah! I THINK I KNOW THE TITLE!
COCOA...
I got it!
...BUT WE MIGHT HAVE SIMILAR TASTE IN BOOKS!
I DIDN'T REALIZE IT BEFORE...
Crime and Punishment
THIS ISN'T IT.
I'M SO GLAD WE FOUND IT!

SHE'S TELLING COFFEE FORTUNES.
SHE ONLY DOES IT WHEN SOMEONE ASKS, BUT SHE'S USUALLY PRETTY ACCURATE.

YOUR LOVE FORTUNE FOR TOMORROW SEEMS EXQUISITE.
YOU'LL BE SEDUCED BY SOMEONE YOUNGER WHO'S WEARING POLKA DOTS.


Oooh, SHE MIGHT BE A MATCH FOR ME AND MY PRECISE WEATHER FORECASTING!
←Shoe
WHY'RE YOU TURNING THIS INTO A CONTEST?

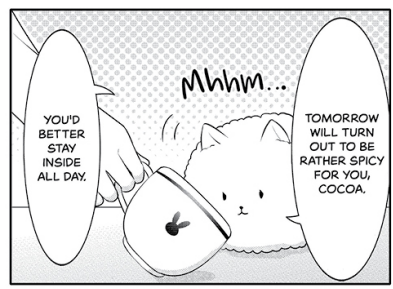

THANK YOU!
WHAT'S SHE TALKING TO THAT CUSTOMER ABOUT?

DRINK UP, DRINK UP!
You too, Tippy!!
I WANNA TRY IT TOO!
YOU CAN TELL FORTUNES BASED ON THE PATTERN OF COFFEE STAINS ON THE MUG.
① Drink the coffee
② Turn the mug upside-down
③ Look at the coffee stains
It works best with something that leaves grounds at the bottom of the mug, like Turkish coffee.
GRANDPA'S CAFFE-DE-MANCY WAS FAMOUS FOR ITS INCREDIBLE ACCURACY.
Wooow!
HUH? I DON'T SEE THAT, BUT I WOULDN'T BE AGAINST IT AT ALL.
Hmmm... I CAN SEE RABBITS RAINING DOWN FROM THE SKY IN YOUR FUTURE, CHINO!
I Still have a lot to learn!
THAT'S STILL AMAZING!
I CAN ONLY DO IT WITH CAPPUCCINOS...
MAYBE I COULD BUY ALL OF THE THINGS I WANT...
FOR YOU, RIZE, I SEE LOTS OF COINS. MAYBE YOUR LUCK WITH MONEY WILL IMPROVE.
I DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT FORTUNES, BUT...
CAN YOU DO IT TOO, RIZE?
BLUSH
ARE YOU JUST MAKING THESE UP?!
...AND I SEE TIPPY SEDUCING EVERYONE WITH SEXY CLOTHES.
THAT SOUNDS EXTREMELY DANGEROUS!
...I KNOW A LOT ABOUT TRYING YOUR LUCK.

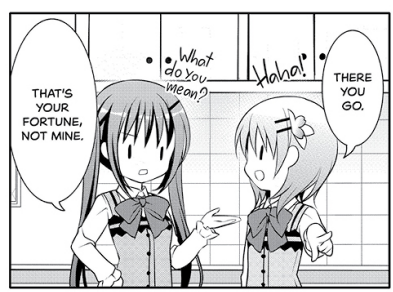
ME? OH, STOP IT, YOU.
That's not true...
RIZE WILL MAKE A FINE, GORGEOUS WIFE ONE DAY.

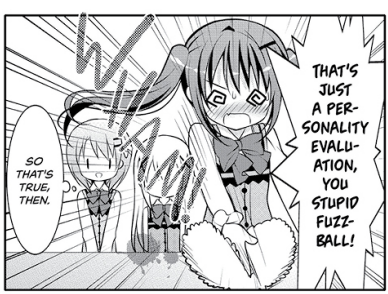
LET'S MAKE IT A CONTEST TO SEE WHO'S MORE ACCURATE!
DO YOU WANT TO TELL FORTUNES TOO, TIPPY?

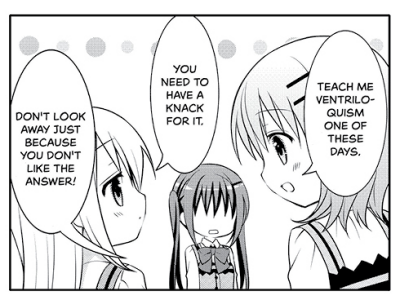
YOU CAN'T HIDE ANYTHING FROM ME!
AFTER A FILLING DINNER AND TIRAMISU FOR DESSERT LAST NIGHT, YOU SNUCK DOWN INTO THE KITCHEN FOR MORE.


YOU'D BETTER STAY INSIDE ALL DAY.
Mhhm...
TOMORROW WILL TURN OUT TO BE RATHER SPICY FOR YOU, COCOA.

YOU SHOULD BRUSH THEM OFF INSTEAD.
...BUT THEY QUICKLY GET TO YOUR HEAD.
YOU CRAVE COMPLIMENTS ...

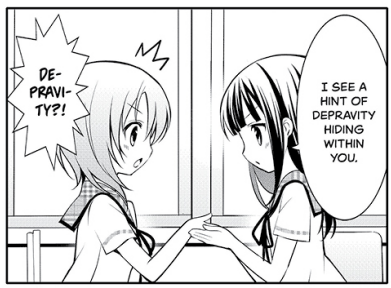

THAT'S YOUR FORTUNE, NOT MINE.
What do you mean?
Haha!
THERE YOU GO.


SO THAT'S TRUE, THEN.
THAT'S JUST A PERSONALITY EVALUATION, YOU STUPID FUZZBALL!

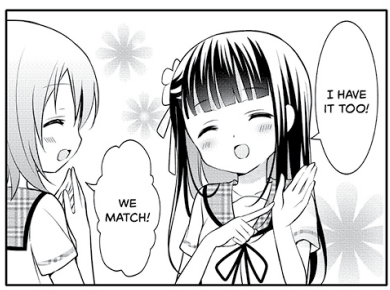

DON'T LOOK AWAY JUST BECAUSE YOU DON'T LIKE THE ANSWER!
YOU NEED TO HAVE A KNACK FOR IT.
TEACH ME VENTRILOQUISM ONE OF THESE DAYS.

SPEAKING OF FORTUNES, I CAN READ PALMS.
WOW, SHOW ME!

YOU CAN TELL FORTUNES WITH COFFEE?
THAT SOUNDS FUN!


I SEE A HINT OF DEPRAVITY HIDING WITHIN YOU.
DE-PRAVI-TY?!

WE CAN ONLY DO TEA LEAF FORTUNE TELLING AT OUR CAFÉ.
I LOVE YOUR TEAS, THEY'RE SO DELICIOUS.


I HAVE IT TOO!
WE MATCH!

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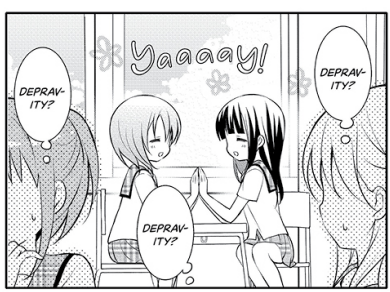
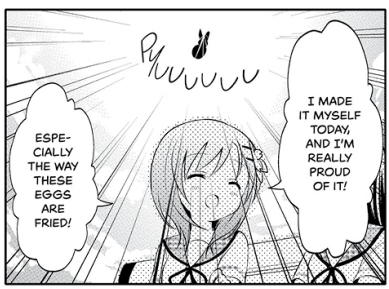
COFFEE FORTUNE-TELLING APPARENTLY HAS A LONG HISTORY.
IT'S CALLED CAFFE-DE-MANCY.


Yaaaay!
DEPRAV-ITY?
DEPRAV-ITY?
DEPRAV-ITY?

CAFFE-DE-MANCER? IS THAT LIKE "NECRO-MANCER"?
CHIYA, WHY IS THAT THE FIRST ASSOCIA-TION YOU MAKE?

Twinkle
YOUR LUNCH LOOKS DELI-CIOUS!
REALLY?!

Sexy Pose
IS THIS WHAT DEPRAVITY LOOKS LIKE?
I THINK IT'S A DEEPER THING.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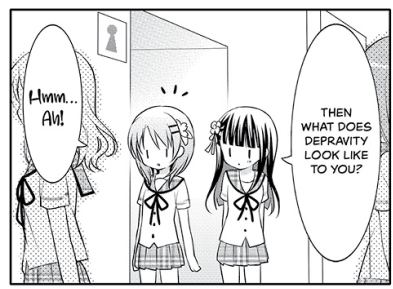
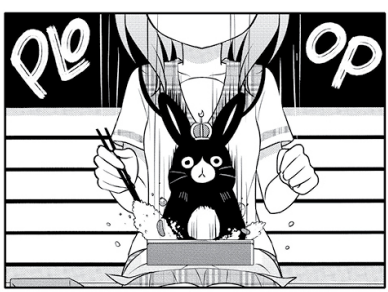
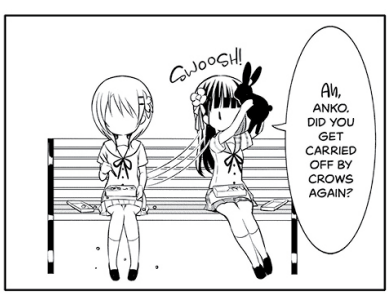
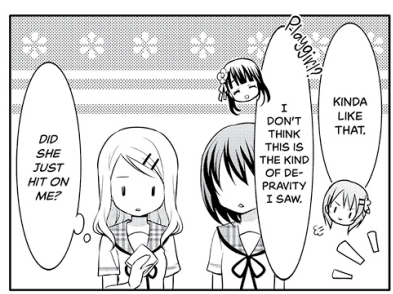
I MADE IT MYSELF TODAY, AND I'M REALLY PROUD OF IT!
ESPE-CIALLY THE WAY THESE EGGS ARE FRIED!

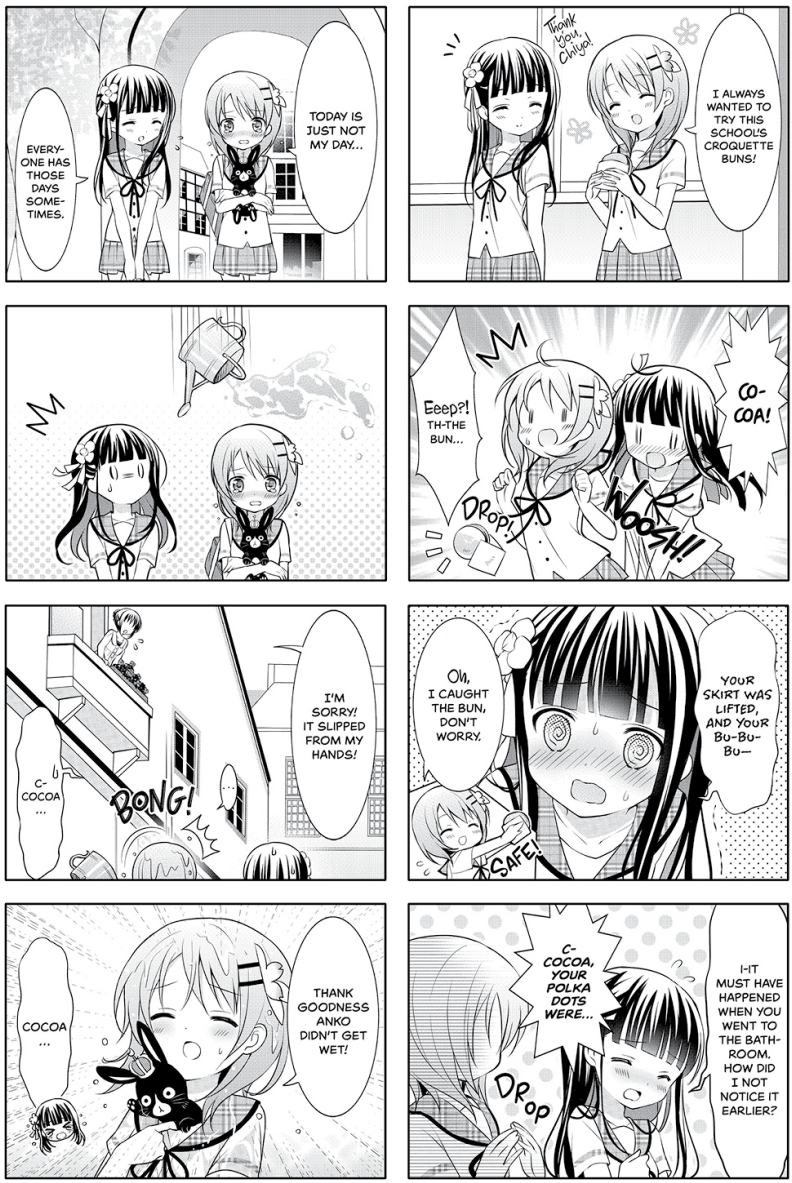

THEN WHAT DOES DEPRAVITY LOOK LIKE TO YOU?
Hmm... Ah!


Pop

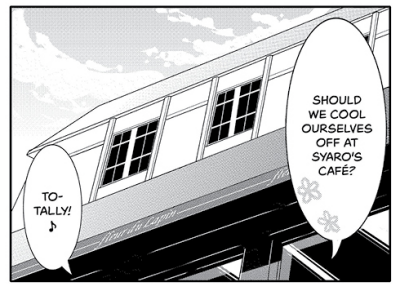
Smile
YOU DROPPED YOUR HANDKER-CHIEF.
THIS MUST BE A SIGN. WHY DON'T WE HAVE LUNCH TOGETHER TOMORROW AND GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER?

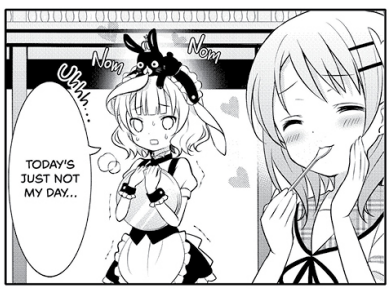

Swoosh!
Ah, ANKO, DID YOU GET CARRIED OFF BY CROWS AGAIN?


Giggle
KINDA LIKE THAT.
I DON'T THINK THIS IS THE KIND OF DE-PRAVITY I SAW.
DID SHE JUST HIT ON ME?


EVERY-ONE HAS THOSE DAYS SOME-TIMES.
TODAY IS JUST NOT MY DAY...
Thank You, Chiyo!
I ALWAYS WANTED TO TRY THIS SCHOOL'S CROQUETTE BUNS!
Eeep?! TH-THE BUN...
DROP!
WOOSH!
CO-COA!
I'M SORRY! IT SLIPPED FROM MY HANDS!
C-COCOA ...
BONG!
Oh, I CAUGHT THE BUN, DON'T WORRY.
YOUR SKIRT WAS LIFTED, AND YOUR BU-BU-BU—
SAFE!
THANK GOODNESS ANKO DIDN'T GET WET!
COCOA ...
C-COCOA, YOUR POLKA DOTS WERE...
DROP
I-IT MUST HAVE HAPPENED WHEN YOU WENT TO THE BATH-ROOM. HOW DID I NOT NOTICE IT EARLIER?

I HOPE YOU ENJOY IT.
WOO-OOW!


SHOULD WE COOL OURSELVES OFF AT SYARO'S CAFÉ?
TO-TALLY! ♪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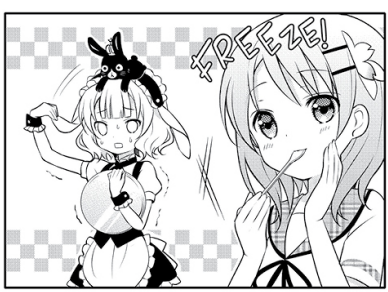
Uhhh...
TODAY'S JUST NOT MY DAY...

SYARO! WE'RE HERE TO HANG OUT.


FREEZE!

NO, STOP! DON'T COME ANY CLOSER!
WHY'RE YOU BRINGING THAT FIEND IN HERE?!
?!
GENUINE
DREAD

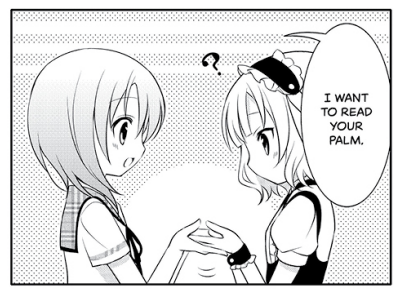
Gahhhh...
I DON'T UNDER-STAND WHAT SHE'S SAYING, BUT I DON'T LIKE IT.
SHE HAD FINALLY FORGOTTEN ABOUT EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED EARLIER TODAY! YOU CAN'T JUST SAY THAT!

I-IS MY AURA REALLY THIS CURSED?
ANKO USED TO BITE HER WHEN SHE WAS A CHILD, SO SHE DEVELOPED A FEAR OF HIM...

Step Step
GIRLS! DID MY FORTUNES FOR YOU COME TRUE?
Hmmm... NOTHING OUT OF THE ORDINARY HAPPENED.

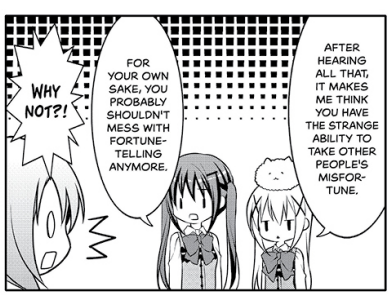
FOUR HUNDRED AND NINETY YEN IS YOUR CHANGE.
!

Oh...
I HAD ANKO FALL FROM THE SKY AND LAND ON ME, MY SKIRT GOT FLIPPED UP, AND SYARO THREW COINS AT ME. I DIDN'T HAVE A GREAT DAY.
I SUPPOSE TIPPY WINS THE FORTUNE-TELLING CONTEST.


I WANT TO READ YOUR PALM.
?

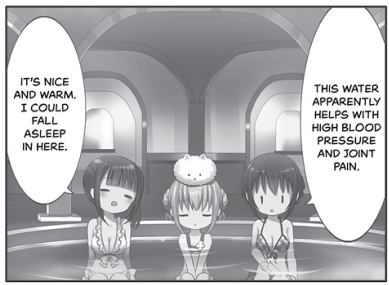
Hm? IS SOME-THING WRONG?
...

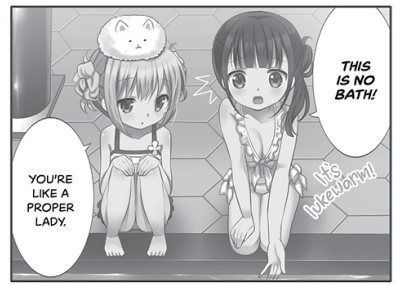
Ummm... Ah! I SEE THAT YOU HAVE A CRUSH ON SOMEONE, BUT THEY'RE COMPLETELY OBLIVIOUS TO IT.
SHE FACES A LOT OF OBSTA-CLES.

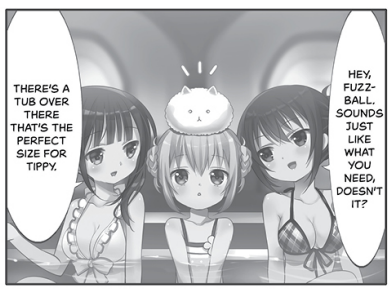

AFTER HEARING ALL THAT, IT MAKES ME THINK YOU HAVE THE STRANGE ABILITY TO TAKE OTHER PEOPLE'S MISFOR-TUNE.
FOR YOUR OWN SAKE, YOU PROBABLY SHOULDN'T MESS WITH FORTUNE-TELLING ANYMORE.
WHY NOT?!

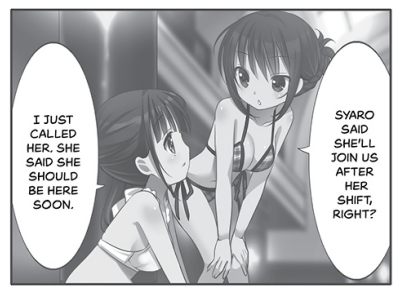
ALSO, YOU HAVE MONEY ISSU–
Change→
WHAM!
DON'T SAY ANY MORE!
CLANG

I'VE NEVER BEEN IN A HOT SPRING IN MY SWIMSUIT BEFORE.
I SHOULD HAVE BROUGHT MY SWIM RING.
WE DECIDED TO GO TO THE HOT SPRING POOL TO WASH OFF THE SWEAT AFTER A HARD DAY OF WORK.
I BROUGHT THESE, JUST IN CASE.
SWIM FINS?!
IT'S LIKE A CASTLE!
IT'S AN OLD BUILDING THAT GOT RENO-VATED.


IT'S NICE AND WARM. I COULD FALL ASLEEP IN HERE.
THIS WATER APPARENTLY HELPS WITH HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE AND JOINT PAIN.

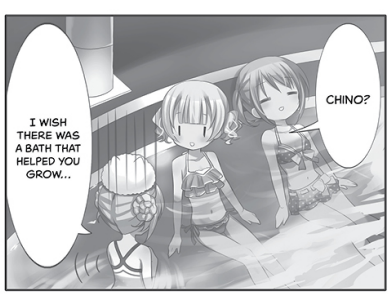

YOU'RE LIKE A PROPER LADY.
THIS IS NO BATH!
It's Wakaba!

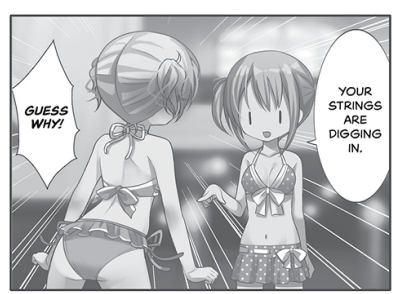

THERE'S A TUB OVER THERE THAT'S THE PERFECT SIZE FOR TIPPY.
HEY, FUZZ-BALL. SOUNDS JUST LIKE WHAT YOU NEED, DOESN'T IT?

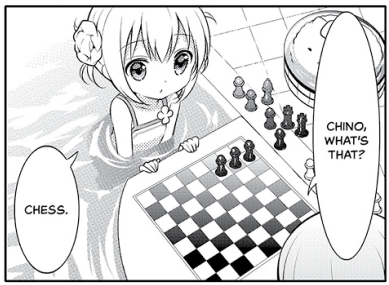

I JUST CALLED HER. SHE SAID SHE SHOULD BE HERE SOON.
SYARO SAID SHE'LL JOIN US AFTER HER SHIFT, RIGHT?

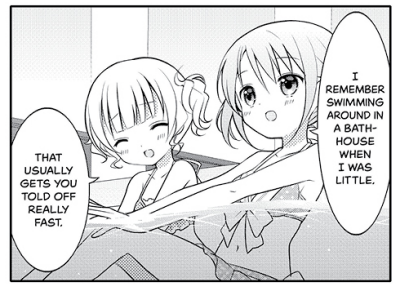
DO YOU TURN INTO A REGULAR RABBIT WHEN YOU GET WET?
Ah, DON'T BE SO SHY. DON'T YOU LIKE HOT SPRINGS?

I JUST HAVE TO TIE IT TIGHT...
IT'LL WORK!
Pull!
CHIYA LET ME BORROW ONE OF HER SWIMSUITS, BUT IT'S A BIT LOOSE.

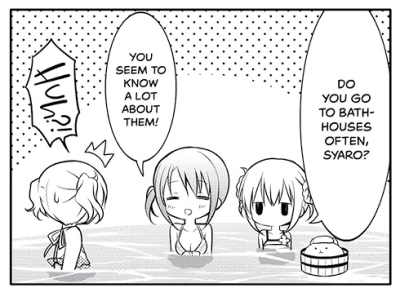

I WISH THERE WAS A BATH THAT HELPED YOU GROW...
CHINO?


GUESS WHY!
YOUR STRINGS ARE DIGGING IN.


CHINO, WHAT'S THAT?
CHESS.


I REMEMBER SWIMMING AROUND IN A BATH-HOUSE WHEN I WAS LITTLE.
THAT USUALLY GETS YOU TOLD OFF REALLY FAST.

A LOT OF STRONG PLAYERS GATHER HERE, SO GRANDPA WAS EXCITED TO PLAY.
IT'S COOL THAT YOU GET TO PLAY WHILE RELAXING IN THE WATER.


DO YOU GO TO BATH-HOUSES OFTEN, SYARO?
YOU SEEM TO KNOW A LOT ABOUT THEM!
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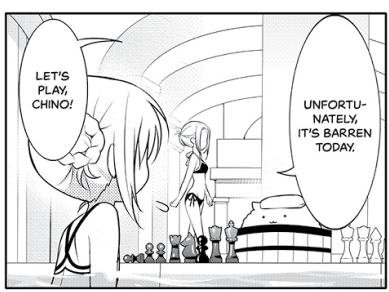
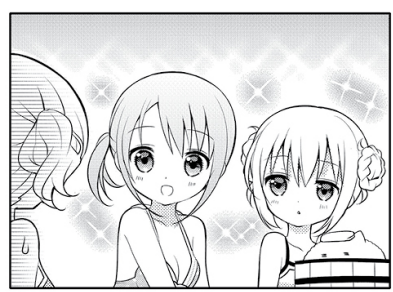
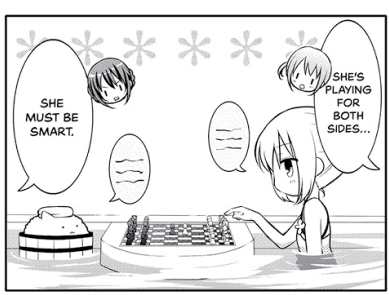
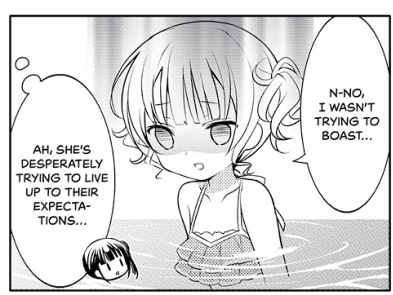
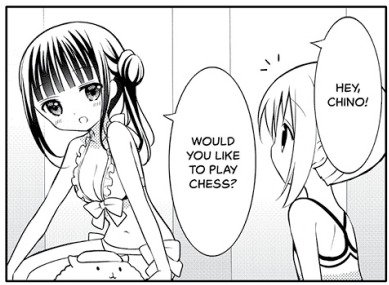
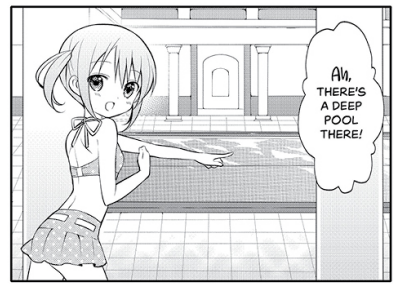

UNFORTU-NATELY, IT'S BARREN TODAY.
LET'S PLAY, CHINO!

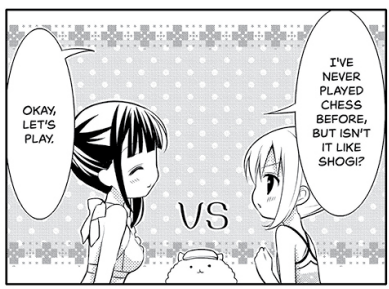



SHE'S PLAYING FOR BOTH SIDES...
SHE MUST BE SMART.


N-NO, I WASN'T TRYING TO BOAST...
AH, SHE'S DESPERATELY TRYING TO LIVE UP TO THEIR EXPECTA-TIONS...


HEY, CHINO!
WOULD YOU LIKE TO PLAY CHESS?


AH, THERE'S A DEEP POOL THERE!

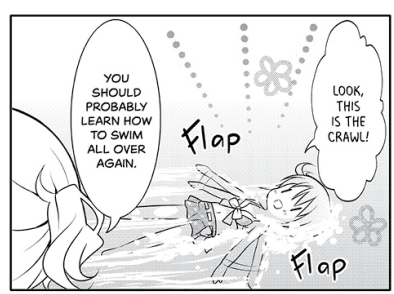

I'VE NEVER PLAYED CHESS BEFORE, BUT ISN'T IT LIKE SHOGI?
OKAY, LET'S PLAY.
VS

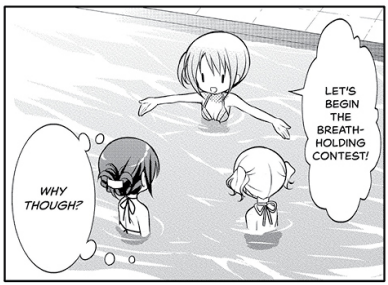
I DON'T REALLY WANT TO SWIM...
I CAN'T SWIM IN DEEP WATER, I ONLY KNOW HOW TO DOGGY PADDLE ...

SINCE WE'RE PLAYING, WHY DON'T WE MAKE A BET?
IF I WIN, YOU'LL SHOW ME HOW TIPPY LOOKS WHEN HE'S WET.

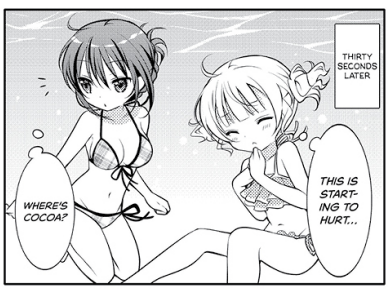
I'VE NEVER SWAM IN DEEP WATER BEFORE.
THAT'S SUR-PRIS-ING!

IF I WIN, COCOA HAS TO TREAT ME LIKE HER BIG SISTER.
WHY'RE YOU DRAGGING ME INTO THIS?!

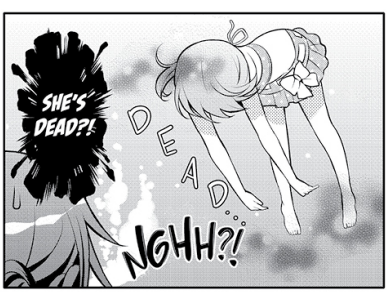

LOOK, THIS IS THE CRAWL!
YOU SHOULD PROBABLY LEARN HOW TO SWIM ALL OVER AGAIN.
Flap
Flap


LET'S BEGIN THE BREATH-HOLDING CONTEST!
WHY THOUGH?

LET'S START OUR SPECIAL TRAINING TO TEACH RIZE HOW TO SWIM!
Mm-hmm...
Ah, WAIT!

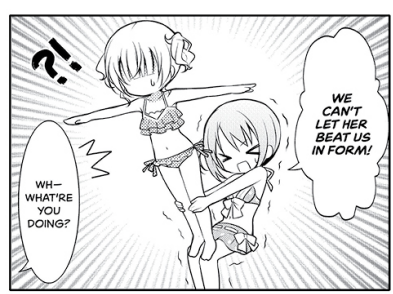

THIRTY SECONDS LATER
THIS IS STARTING TO HURT...
WHERE'S COCOA?

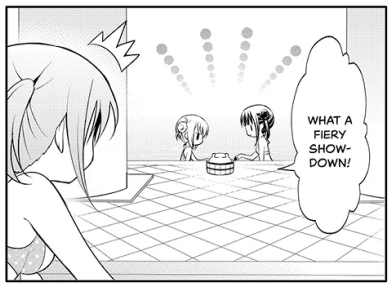
I THINK WE SHOULD DO SOME LIGHT STRETCHING BEFORE WE GO INTO THE WATER.
GREAT IDEA, SYARO!

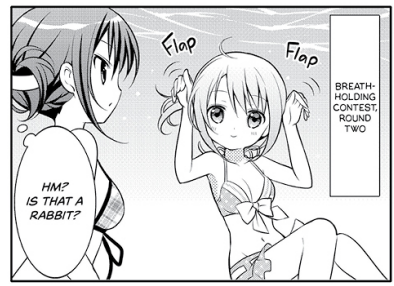

SHE'S DEAD?!
DEAD...
NGHH?!

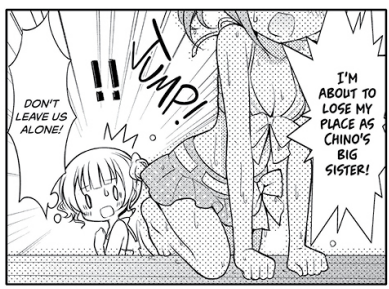
WARM-UP EXERCISES ARE IMPORTANT.
SHE'S SO FLEXIBLE!
Stree
etch

I WON!
DON'T HOLD YOUR BREATH IN SUCH A WEIRD POSE!


WE CAN'T LET HER BEAT US IN FORM!
WH—WHAT'RE YOU DOING?

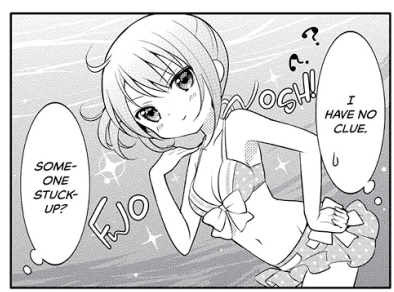

WHAT A FIERY SHOW-DOWN!


BREATH-HOLDING CONTEST, ROUND TWO
Flap
Flap
HM? IS THAT A RABBIT?


I'M ABOUT TO LOSE MY PLACE AS CHINO'S BIG SISTER!
!!
JUMP!
DON'T LEAVE US ALONE!

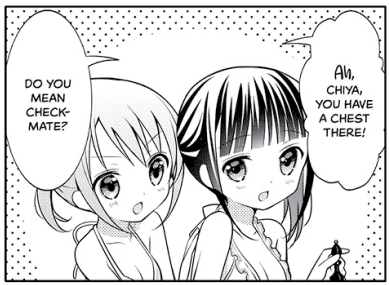
A GUN?
LOOK UP?

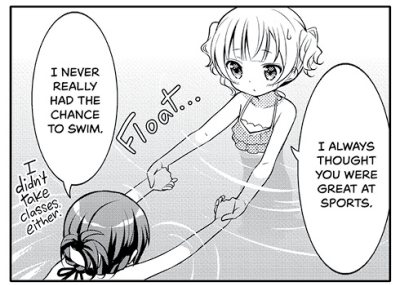
I suppose we should practice with the kickboard.
Uwwwa...
Fidget
Fidget
Ah, I'M NOT A FAN OF THE KICK-BOARD.


I HAVE NO CLUE.
Woosh
SOME-ONE STUCK-UP?
Ewo

I'M MUCH MORE INTO...
...HOLD-ING HANDS!
Twinkle Twinkle
Splash splash
SHE'S LIKE A LITTLE KID.

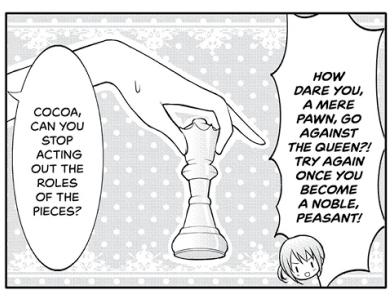
THOSE WERE ALL RIZE!
I'M NOTHING LIKE THAT!
I THOUGHT THIS WAS A BREATH-HOLDING CONTEST ...


DO YOU MEAN CHECK-MATE?
Ah, CHIYA, YOU HAVE A CHEST THERE!


I NEVER REALLY HAD THE CHANCE TO SWIM.
I didn't take classes either.
Float...
I ALWAYS THOUGHT YOU WERE GREAT AT SPORTS.

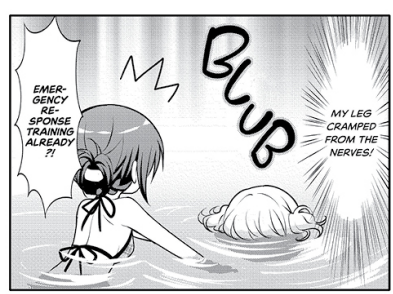
TIPPY, QUIET DOWN.
MY BODY WILL BE EXPOSED TO THE WORLD IF CHINO LOSES!

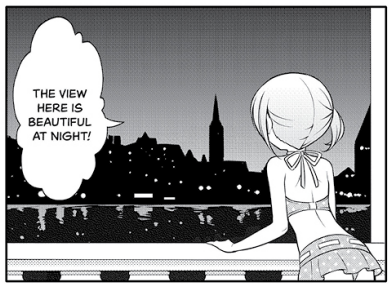
IS THAT WHAT'S EMBAR-RASSING ABOUT THIS SITUATION?
LEARNING FROM SOMEONE YOUNGER THAN ME IS A BIT EMBAR-RASSING.


COCOA, CAN YOU STOP ACTING OUT THE ROLES OF THE PIECES?
HOW DARE YOU, A MERE PAWN, GO AGAINST THE QUEEN?! TRY AGAIN ONCE YOU BECOME A NOBLE, PEASANT!

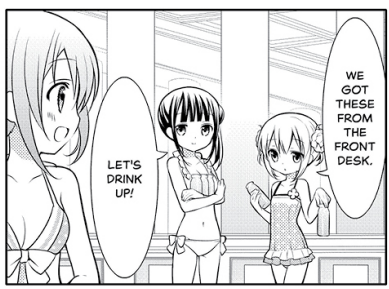
I WOULDN'T WANT TO TROUBLE YOU WITH...
I'LL GET STRONG ENOUGH TO SAVE YOU IF YOU'RE DROWNING!

I-I CAN'T FOCUS...


EMER-GENCY RE-SPONSE TRAINING ALREADY ?!
BLUB
MY LEG CRAMPED FROM THE NERVES!


THE VIEW HERE IS BEAUTIFUL AT NIGHT!

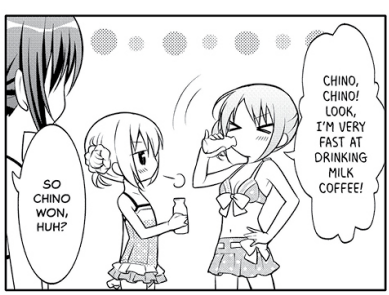
WOW, RIZE, YOU'RE AMAZING!
YOU'VE GOTTEN SO GOOD AT THIS ALREADY!
Stroke...

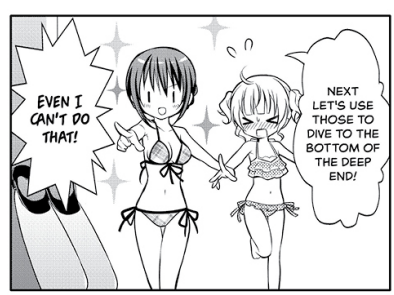

WE GOT THESE FROM THE FRONT DESK.
LET'S DRINK UP!

IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOUR TRAINING.
IT'S ONLY BECAUSE YOU LEARN SO FAST.
I DIDN'T REALLY DO ANY-THING.

ONE FOR EVERYBODY! CHEERS!

I NEVER KNEW THAT SWIMMING WAS THIS MUCH FUN.
THANKS, SYARO!


CHINO, CHINO! LOOK, I'M VERY FAST AT DRINKING MILK COFFEE!
SO CHINO WON, HUH?


NEXT LET'S USE THOSE TO DIVE TO THE BOTTOM OF THE DEEP END!
EVEN I CAN'T DO THAT!

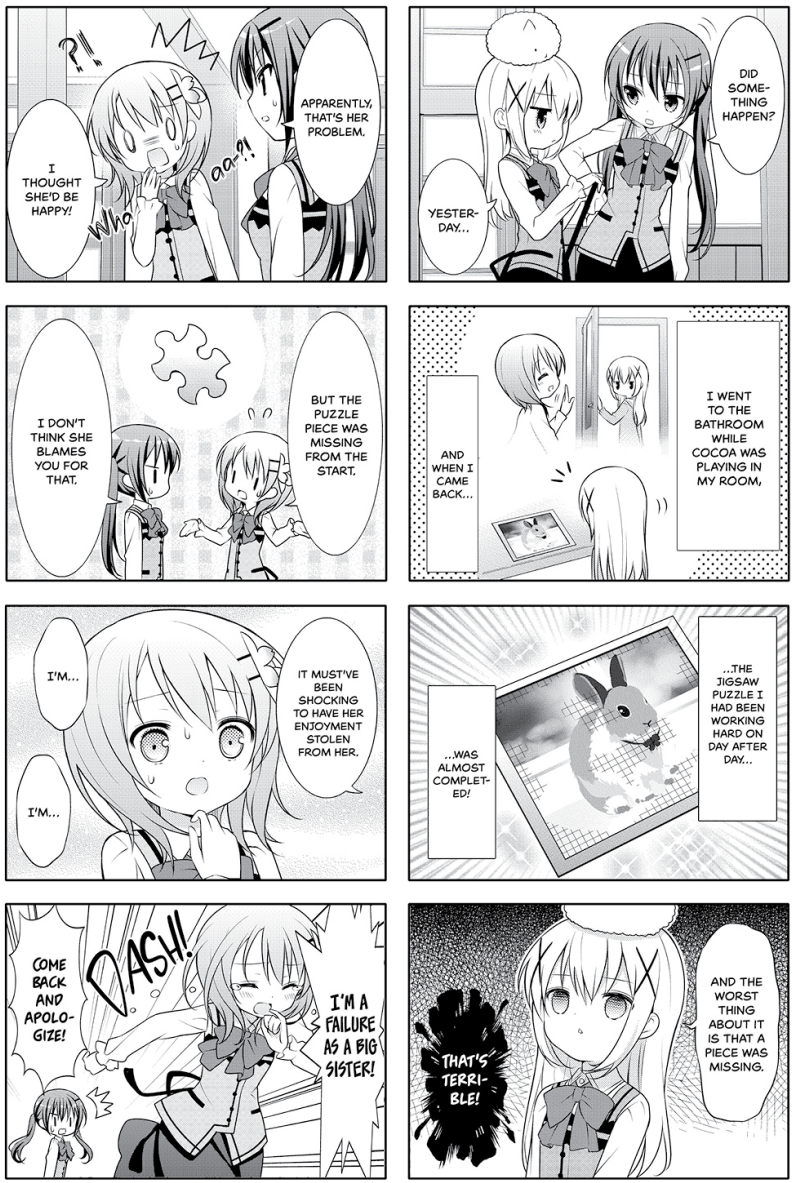
the or a bit?
Is order rab

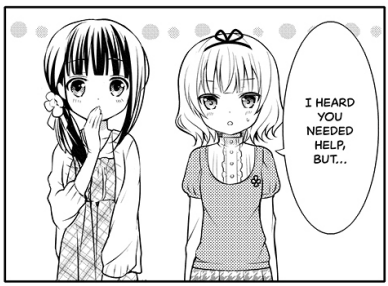
YOU'RE SO SOFT!
PLEASE GET OFF ME, COCOA.
YOU'RE IN THE WAY, COCOA.

Pout
Hmpf!

SHE'S ALWAYS COLD TO ME.
SHE ALWAYS TREATS YOU LIKE THAT?

IS CHINO IN A BAD MOOD TODAY?
Hmm? IS SHE?


?!
I THOUGHT SHE'D BE HAPPY!
Wha
aa-?!
APPARENTLY, THAT'S HER PROBLEM.
DID SOME-THING HAPPEN?
YESTER-DAY...
I DON'T THINK SHE BLAMES YOU FOR THAT.
BUT THE PUZZLE PIECE WAS MISSING FROM THE START.
I WENT TO THE BATHROOM WHILE COCOA WAS PLAYING IN MY ROOM,
AND WHEN I CAME BACK...
I'M...
I'M...
IT MUST'VE BEEN SHOCKING TO HAVE HER ENJOYMENT STOLEN FROM HER.
...THE JIGSAW PUZZLE I HAD BEEN WORKING HARD ON DAY AFTER DAY...
...WAS ALMOST COMPLET-ED!
COME BACK AND APOLO-GIZE!
DASH!
I'M A FAILURE AS A BIG SISTER!
THAT'S TERRI-BLE!
AND THE WORST THING ABOUT IT IS THAT A PIECE WAS MISSING.


I HEARD YOU NEEDED HELP, BUT...

COCOA STILL ISN'T BACK.
DON'T WORRY. SHE'LL COME HOME SOON.

HELP!
WE STARTED IT, BUT THE PILE OF PIECES ISN'T GETTING ANY SMALLER.
...I DIDN'T THINK THIS WOULD BE ABOUT A PUZZLE...

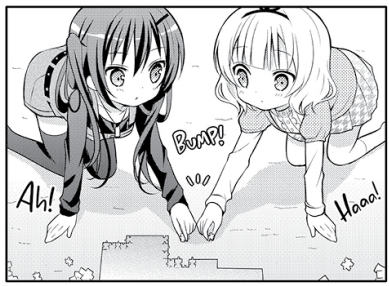
SHE DIDN'T MEAN ANY HARM. WHY DON'T YOU FORGIVE HER?
I DON'T WANT TO STAY MAD AT HER BECAUSE OF THIS.

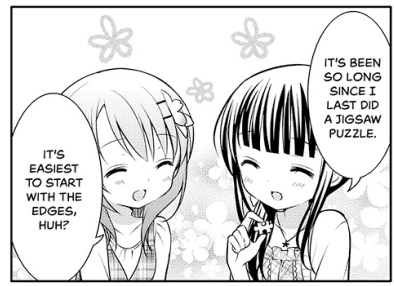
WHY DON'T WE TAKE IT APART AND START OVER?
THAT'D BE A WASTE!

BUT IT'S EMBARRASSING TO TALK TO HER NOW,
AFTER THE WAY I TREATED HER.
SHE DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE ANYTHING OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

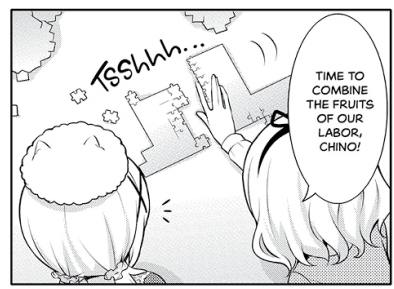
PLUS, I DON'T WANT TO BOTHER RIZE RIGHT NOW.
This goes here...
Then this goes here...
THIS IS SO MUCH FUN!

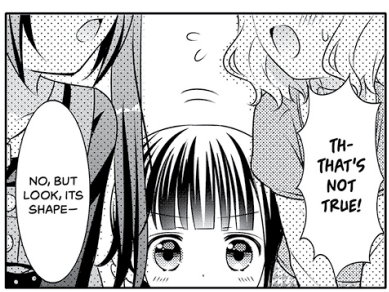
CHINO! I BOUGHT YOU A NEW PUZZLE SET, SO PLEASE, FORGIVE ME!
SLAM!
EIGHT THOUSAND PIECES?!


Ah!
Bump!
Haaa!

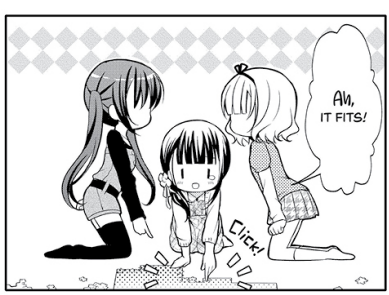

IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE I LAST DID A JIGSAW PUZZLE.
IT'S EASIEST TO START WITH THE EDGES, HUH?

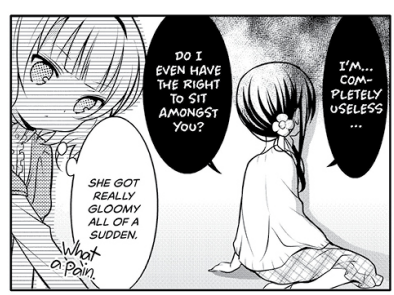
G-G-G-GO AHEAD!
NO, YOURS LOOKS LIKE IT'S A BETTER FIT.

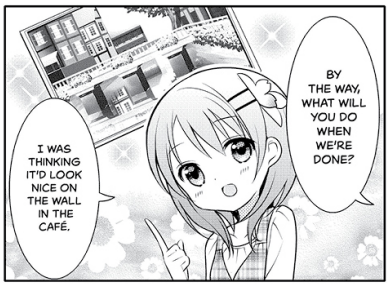

TIME TO COMBINE THE FRUITS OF OUR LABOR, CHINO!
Tsshhh...

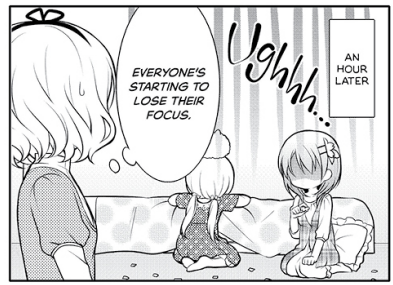

TH-THAT'S NOT TRUE!
NO, BUT LOOK, ITS SHAPE—

AND WE CAN COMBINE THIS WITH THE SECTION RIZE DID!
YET TO CONTRIBUTE A SINGLE PIECE.

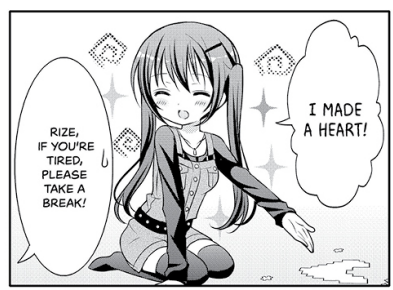

Ah, IT FITS!
Click!

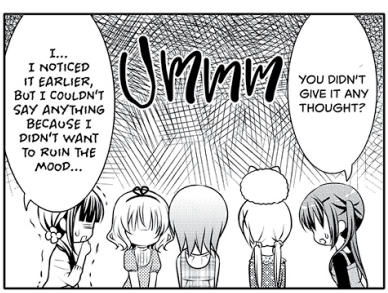

I'M... COMPLETELY USELESS...
DO I EVEN HAVE THE RIGHT TO SIT AMONGST YOU?
SHE GOT REALLY GLOOMY ALL OF A SUDDEN.
What a Pain.

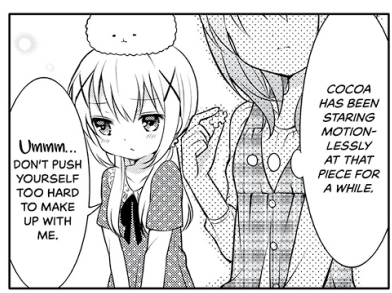

BY THE WAY, WHAT WILL YOU DO WHEN WE'RE DONE?
I WAS THINKING IT'D LOOK NICE ON THE WALL IN THE CAFÉ.


AN HOUR LATER
Ughhh...
EVERYONE'S STARTING TO LOSE THEIR FOCUS.

NO, I MEANT THAT THERE'S NOTHING UNDER-NEATH IT.
HOW ARE YOU GOING TO MOVE IT?


I MADE A HEART!
RIZE, IF YOU'RE TIRED, PLEASE TAKE A BREAK!


YOU DIDN'T GIVE IT ANY THOUGHT?
Ummm
I... I NOTICED IT EARLIER, BUT I COULDN'T SAY ANYTHING BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT TO RUIN THE MOOD...


COCOA HAS BEEN STARING MOTION-LESSLY AT THAT PIECE FOR A WHILE.
Ummm... DON'T PUSH YOURSELF TOO HARD TO MAKE UP WITH ME.

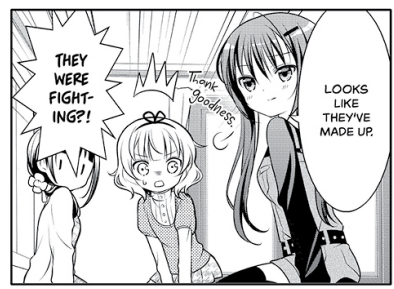
IF ONLY I'D SAID SOMETHING SOONER... I'M SO SORRY. IT'S ALL MY FAULT ...!
STOP BLAMING YOURSELF, YOU'RE ONLY MAKING THE ROOM GLOOMIER!
We'll work it out some-how!

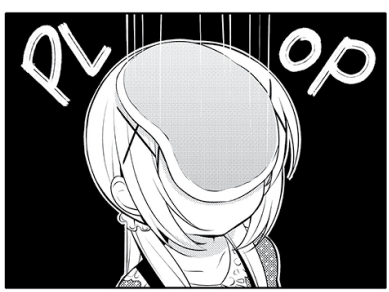
I'M NOT MAD ANY—
Nod
SHE'S ASLEEP ?!

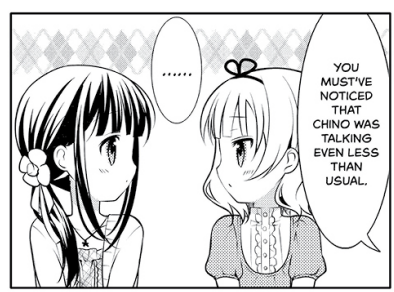
GUESS WHAT!
I RECENTLY LEARNED HOW TO FLIP PANCAKES!

I'M HUNGRY, SO I'LL GO AND MAKE PANCAKES FOR EVERYONE!
I'LL HELP!

LOOK, HERE I GO!
FWOOOP!


LOOKS LIKE THEY'VE MADE UP.
Thank goodness.
THEY WERE FIGHTING?!


PLOP


YOU MUST'VE NOTICED THAT CHINO WAS TALKING EVEN LESS THAN USUAL.
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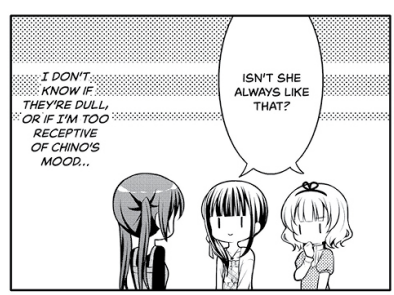
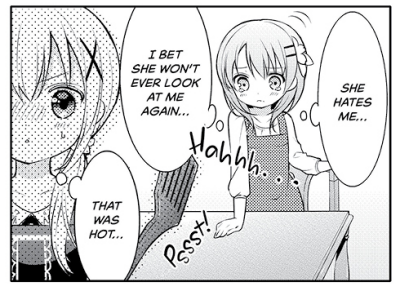
CHINO WON'T TALK TO ME!
FLING
FIX IT YOUR-SELF.

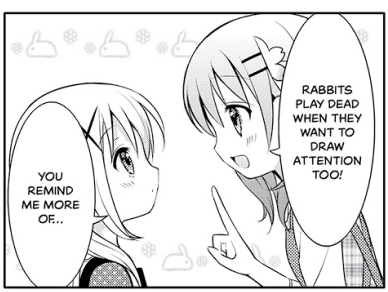

ISN'T SHE ALWAYS LIKE THAT?
I DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE DULL, OR IF I'M TOO RECEPTIVE OF CHINO'S MOOD...

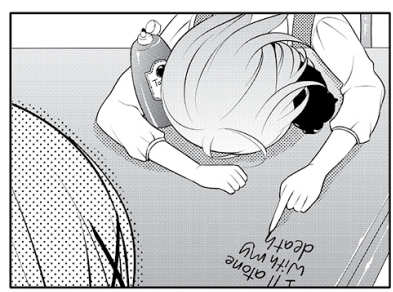
I'M SORRY, CHINO.
IT'S OKAY, I WAS COLD TO YOU AS WELL.


SHE HATES ME...
I BET SHE WON'T EVER LOOK AT ME AGAIN...
Hahhh...
THAT WAS HOT...
Pssst!

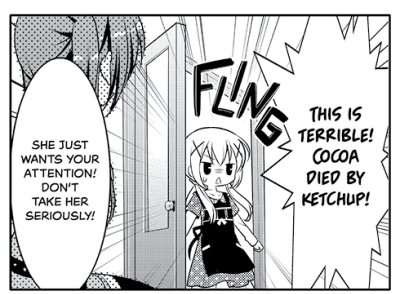
BUT YOU KNOW...
...I'M A BIT HAPPY THIS WAS OUR FIRST FIGHT LIKE SISTERS.

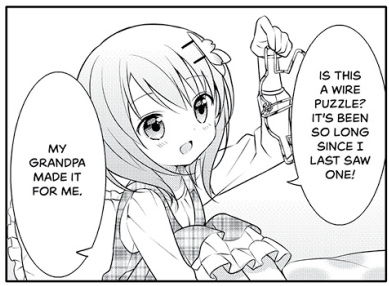
I'M ALMOST DONE, SO YOU CAN START—
Tum


RABBITS PLAY DEAD WHEN THEY WANT TO DRAW ATTENTION TOO!
YOU REMIND ME MORE OF...

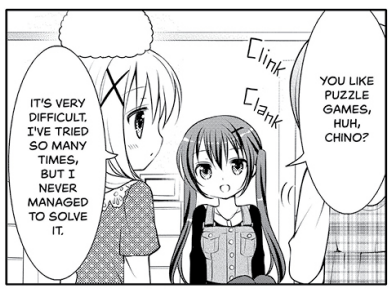

I'll alone with my death

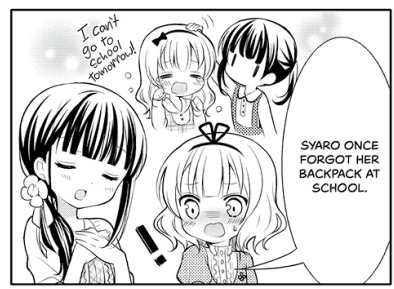
...AN AXOLOTL.
HOW DO I REACT TO THAT ?!
Smileee
With that smile.
AHHH!


THIS IS TERRIBLE! COCOA DIED BY KETCHUP!
FLING
SHE JUST WANTS YOUR ATTENTION! DON'T TAKE HER SERIOUSLY!


IS THIS A WIRE PUZZLE? IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE I LAST SAW ONE!
MY GRANDPA MADE IT FOR ME.

WHERE DID THE MISSING PIECE FROM THE FIRST PUZZLE DISAPPEAR TO?
YOU ALWAYS FIND THINGS LIKE THAT AFTER YOU FORGET ABOUT THEM.


YOU LIKE PUZZLE GAMES, HUH, CHINO?
Clink
Clank
IT'S VERY DIFFICULT. I'VE TRIED SO MANY TIMES, BUT I NEVER MANAGED TO SOLVE IT.


SYARO ONCE FORGOT HER BACKPACK AT SCHOOL.
I can't go to school tomorrow!

BUT ONE DAY, I'LL SOLVE IT BY MYSELF,
AND SURPRISE GRANDPA WITH IT!
Clink
Clank

DON'T TALK ABOUT MY EMBARRASSING PAST IN FRONT OF RIZE!
TH
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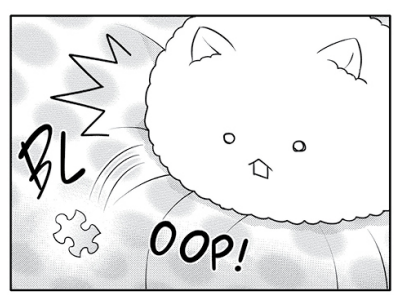
Oh!
Clink
Whoops.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OOP!

AFTERWORD

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I've always wanted to do a cafe in a cute, old-fashioned European town,
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The setting of this series is lightly based on the streets of Strasbourg, the townscape of Colmar,
and the hot springs of Hungary, which serve as hubs for chess players of all skill levels to relax and play.

Whether it be during your breaks at work or school, or on the sofa with a mug of hot tea by your side,
I hope you'll find enjoyment in reading this book.

Well, that's all for now. Until next time.

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